

Our homes are sanctuaries where we feel safe and they are the one place we can have true privacy.

Living in a bustling neighborhood can sometimes make it hard to have a moment for ourselves, away from prying eyes.

In addition, everyone wants a well-lit home with plenty of natural light, but windows can compromise your privacy. You could make your windows more private by installing some good curtains though you may want to keep your windows the way they are.

Curtains need to be cleaned and maintained regularly and unless you remember to close them, they won't always guarantee privacy.

Learning how to make windows private without curtains may seem tricky, but there is a solution—you use window films.

Using window films may seem like an unusual idea for making your windows more private but it is very much possible and easy to do. You will not even need to use any curtains at all; the window film will handle everything.

In this article, we'll show you how to make your windows private without curtains, just with window film

Which type of film do I need to use?

The best film for the job is a privacy film.

When applied to your windows, these window films reflect sunlight, making the window appear like a mirror from the outside. This will prevent anyone outside from getting a glimpse of your home's interior.

The best thing about this film is that while it blocks any view from the outside, you'll still be able to see through your windows normally-as if it was just regular glass-when you're indoors.

Another option you can go for is smart glass film; a special kind of film that you can change from being transparent to opaque, just with the flip of a switch.



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Smart film is made of polymer-dispersed liquid crystal or PDLC for short. The film contains numerous little crystals all over its surface, which are in random positions. When an electric current passes through them, they reorient themselves causing the film to become opaque.

Which windows should they be installed on?

Once you know how to make windows private without curtains, where you want to install them is up to you. For privacy, however, it's best to install these films on your bedroom and living room windows, or any window that overlooks the street outside.

Will they work at night?

They could work at night but only under certain conditions. For the privacy film to work, the outside needs to be much brighter than the inside of your home.

At night when you have your lights turned on, your home's interior will be brighter than outside; this will negate the reflective effect of the film and make the window lose its mirror-like appearance.

How do I install privacy window films?

- ✔ First, you need to measure your windows.
- ✓ Make sure that the windows you are applying the film to are not exposed to direct sunlight. Direct sunlight may cause the window to become hot and damage the film.
- Clean the windows thoroughly with soap and water (or glass cleaner) and make sure nothing, not even pet hair or dust, is on the window glass.
- ✓ After the window has dried, using the window measurements you took earlier, cut the film into the appropriate size with a knife or a pair of scissors.
- ✓ Line up your film with the window glass and apply it, starting from the top and pushing the film onto the glass with your hands as you go down. Make sure to avoid any bubbles.
- ✓ Once the film is perfectly in place, cut off any excess film.

This method for installing privacy films is only viable for regular ones. Smart privacy film installation is more delicate and should be done by a professional.



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