



How Does That Wind Get Past My Window?

Most homes built in the North Central Texas area are constructed with bricks. Bricks must be installed with a vent system to allow the walls to breathe. Take a look at the first row of bricks on your home. Every 3-4 feet, the bricklayer left mortar from the brick. This is the built-in weep hole for the wall. The drafts you may feel surrounding the window can be the result of wind entering through these built-in weep holes.

Homeowners had a primitive idea that the addition of a storm window would help reduce the wind entering their home. The storm window would only seal up the primary window of the home, but did nothing to block the air entering through the weep holes in the bricks. They were also very hard to clean. Therefore, consumers would spend money to fix a problem and get nothing in return.



The picture shows what your opening looks like with the window removed. You can see the void (sometimes over a full inch) between the backside of drywall and the backside of the brick.



We fill this void with distortion free foam ... this is the only way to block the wind from entering your home via weep holes in the brick.

Our experience has taught us that the use of spray foam is a better solution than trying fiberglass insulation. The spray foam can cover the smaller cracks that fiberglass will not.

The best window will not perform effectively if it is not installed properly. Sealing the void area with foam insulation in your opening is one of the most important steps in a professional installation.