## **Safety and Precautions**



THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SELECTION OF WINDOW PRODUCTS TO MEET ANY APPLICABLE LOCAL LAWS, BUILDING CODES, ORDINANCES OR OTHER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS RESTS SOLELY WITH THE ARCHITECT, BUILDING OWNER OR CONTRACTOR.

## **1** Safety and Precautions

- Follow all manufacturers' instructions and labels.
- Use proper and safe equipment and precautions if servicing the exterior side of windows above ground level.
- Window insect screens are not security devices and will not prevent children, other people, or pets from falling through.
- Use extra care when driving screws near glass unit to avoid breakage.
- Use caution when tightening screws to avoid stripping the screw holes.
- Sash removal can be awkward and could cause physical injury or product damage; we recommend the help of a second person.
- Maintain a strong grip on balancer when removing or installing. Balances are spring-loaded and they will decompress quickly if released, possibly causing personal injury and/or product damage.
- Beware of oil causing slippery surfaces.
- Refer to <u>www.epa.gov/lead</u> for lead paint requirements and safety measures.

## 2 Tools needed (not provided by manufacturer)

- Electric drill (2) are preferable; put a drill bit in one and a screw bit in the other
- Drill bit set
- Extended length screw bit for driving screws through window frame
- Measuring tape
- Level (2-foot to 4-foot based on window size)
- Square
- Hammer and Mallet
- Chisel
- Pry bar
- 4" or 4-1/2" angle grinder and several metal cutting blades (for removing steel windows)
- Reciprocating saw with metal cutting blades
- Caulking and caulking gun
- Disposal bins
- Propane or MAPP Gas torch or heat gun
- Gloves
- Protective eye gear
- Shop Vac and hand broom
- Chisel