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Installation Guide

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# 1.0 Introduction

Terra Universal's BioSafe® Cleanroom Windows feature a flush-mount frame design that minimizes horizontal surfaces and crevices where contaminants can collect. The 304 stainless steel frame seals tightly against the interior wall surface to allow for easy cleaning and sterilizing.

Choices for window materials include tempered glass, fire-rated glass, static-dissipative PVC, polycarbonate, and acrylic. Static-dissipative PVC (SDPVC) has dissipative material molecularly embedded in the layers of PVC for longlasting performance. Polycarbonate is shatter-resistant and offers greater resistance to common acids, solvents, and cleaning solutions. Acrylic is economical, but it can be damaged by alcohol and other strong cleaning agents.

**Note:** SDPVC is recommended for most cleanroom applications due to its ability to avoid static build-up, which normally causes oppositely charged particles to cling to the surface as a result of electrostatic attraction.

Each window material can be specified as either single-pane or double-pane. A double-pane window uses a stainless steel frame that mounts flush on both sides, making it ideal for adjoining cleanrooms. A single-pane window includes a flush-mounted cover for only one side.

# 2.0 Specifications

#### **Standard Size Windows**

The following specifications apply to a standard size BioSafe® Cleanroom Window when preinstalled in a Terra cleanroom:

BioSafe® Cleanroom Window Specifications	
Standard Placement	39" from floor to window bottom
Wall Cut-Out	46.75"W x 36.25"H
Window Pane Cut Size	45.875"W x 35.375"H
Finished Visible Opening	44.75"W x 34.125"H
Frame Material	304 Stainless Steel

#### **Custom Size Windows**

For custom windows, the frame is built to the specifications outlined in the original order form. Refer to **Section 4** on the following page for installation instructions.



# 3.0 Installation

### **Single-Pane Framed Window Installation**

Frame components are fabricated to fit the wall thickness specified in the order. Minimum wall thickness: 3"



- 1. Make the wall cutout and frame it with a rigid material. Use the wall cutout dimensions specified in the drawing if you have one. If not, use the diagram above.
- 2. Unsnap the clean side frame cover from the frame and carefully remove the glass from the frame.
- 3. Slide the frame into the wall cutout from the "dirty" side.
- 4. Fasten the frame to the wall with screws through the access areas in the four corners. There should be two screws on each access areas. Depending on the size of the window, there may be mounting holes on the top and bottom of the frame as well.





- 5. Place the glass inside the frame cover. With one person making sure the glass does not fall, carefully place the frame cover close to the window frame from the "clean" side.
- 6. Align the ball studs on the frame cover and the clips on the window frame and push them to snap them together on all four sides.
- 7. Although it is not required for positive pressure cleanrooms, an appropriate sealant can be applied along the flush-mount edges of the window, if desired.



#### **Double-Sided Framed Flush-Mount Window Installation**

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- 1. Make the wall cutout and frame it with a rigid material. Use the wall cutout dimensions specified in the drawing if you have one. If not, use the diagram above.
- 2. Unsnap the "clean" side frame cover from the frame and carefully remove the glass from the frame. Repeat for the "dirty" side.
- 3. Slide the window frame into the wall cutout and center the window frame.
- 4. Fasten the frame to the wall with screws through the access areas in the four corners. Depending on the size of the window, there may be additional mounting holes on the top and bottom of the frame as well.





#### *Step 4,5*

- 5. Place the glass inside the frame cover. With one person making sure the glass does not fall, carefully place the frame cover close to the window frame from the "clean" side.
- 6. Align the ball studs on the frame cover and the clips on the window frame and push them to snap them together on all four sides.
- 7. Repeat for the windowpane on the other side. Once snapped in, the edges of the frame covers should be tight against with the wall surface.
- 8. Although it is not required for positive pressure cleanrooms, an appropriate sealant can be applied along the flushmount edges of the window, if desired.



#### Single-Sided Frameless Flush-Mount Window Installation

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Step 2, 3

#### Installation Steps

1. If available, please refer to the drawings specific to your window order for the most accurate dimensions for cutting and framing.

#### **General Wall Cut-Out Procedure:**

Build the internal framing for the window so that the opening is 1" wider and 1" taller than the steel frame. Cut the wall surface material (either drywall or FRP) so that there is a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " ledge around the entire opening ( $\frac{1}{4}$ " of the internal framing should be visible).

Check the wall cutout by inserting the glass, making sure that the glass fits within the opening, is flush with the wall surface, and can be pressed securely against the 1/4" of exposed trimming.

- 2. Unsnap the glass from the clean side and carefully remove it.
- 3. Insert the steel frame into the finished wall cutout.





- 4. Fasten the steel frame to the wall using the predrilled mounting holes inside each corner. Depending on the size of the window, there may be a mounting hole on the top and bottom as well. A 1"-diameter access hole is provided to allow a right-angle drill bit to be used to drill pilot holes and insert the screws.
- 5. Snap the glass into the frame by aligning the ball studs with the frame's sockets. Ensure that all studs are fully inserted and the glass is completely flat against the frame before proceeding.
- 6. Apply an appropriate sealant around the edges of the windows to create an airtight seal and clean finish.



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- 5. Snap the "clean" glass into the frame by aligning the ball studs with the frame's sockets. Ensure that all studs are fully inserted and the glass is completely flat against the frame before proceeding. Repeat for the glass on the opposite "dirty" side.
- 6. Apply an appropriate sealant around the edges of the windows to create an airtight seal and clean finish.



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