

Case Study - Budget Secondary Glazing




Intro

Simple measures can be very effective. The installation of perspex sheets secured with magnetic adhesive strips has reduced draughts and heat loss. The 2^{ary} glazing was installed in front of draughty wooden frames with single glazed panes. When removed it was immediately obvious how effective the installation was even though it wasn't a windy night. The householders, even after several months, because of its inconspicuousness, forgot about the secondary glazing and banged there heads when trying to look out one of the windows.

Time taken for competent DIYer

Task	Quantity	Duration
Online ordering	10 windows	3 hours
Mounting each sheet	1 window	20 mins
Delivery	all	All day waiting for delivery

Images

			
1. Two sheets butted carefully in centre of window	2. Same window showing tabs for easy removal (duck tape)	3. Sash and case window neat fit with blind in original position.	4. Bathroom net curtain sandwiched behind secondary glazing.

Method Mounting

- Remove protective backing sheets
- cut magnetic strips to size
- fix to sheets nb don't need to mark on window where to locate strip.
- carefully place sheets onto window frame

Notes

- Important to measure carefully before ordering.
- Sheets come with backing, preventing scratches.
- Perspex is more scratch resistant than polycarbonate.
- Choose more UV resistant for the sunny windows, however this is more expensive..
- White adhesive strips reduces the installation visibility on white painted windows .