The Buyers Guide to
Energy Efficient Doors
What Are Energy Efficient Doors?

Newer models of doors have been designed with energy efficiency in mind. Energy efficient doors fit into frames and insulate better than older doors. Using better technology, energy efficient doors serve your home better as they save you monthly utility expenses and are more sustainable for the planet.
4 Signs It’s Time for a New Door

Your exterior doors provide a first impression of your home. They are one of the first things your visitors see and they enhance your curb appeal from the street. As well, your exterior doors are an integral piece of your home comfort and safety. Eventually, you will be on the market for new exterior doors, as unfortunately they cannot last forever! If you are experiencing any of the following signs, it is likely time to consider purchasing a new door.

1. **Worn Out or Rusted**
   Your door may let you know it is time to be replaced with physical signs. If your door has suffered from a lot of irreversible wear and tear or if it is starting to rust, a new door is your best option.

2. **Moisture in the Glass**
   If there is moisture building up between the panes of glass in your door, this could be a sign that your door needs to be replaced. Moisture in the glass indicates that your door’s seal is not working as effectively as it should be, and extended moisture build up can lead to mould or mildew that can cause wooden doors to deteriorate.

3. **Difficulty Moving**
   If your door is difficult to open and close, this is another sign that it may be time for a new door. Over time, your door can change shape and cause sticking or gaps between the door and the frame.

4. **Drafts Entering the Home**
   One of the most common warning signs that it is time for a new door is drafts. Doors that no longer work effectively may cause drafts to enter the home through gaps or ineffective sealing and exterior door insulation. Drafts can cause your utility bills to rise, making an energy efficient door a more cost-effective option in the long-term.
Benefits of Energy Efficient Doors

If you are on the market for new exterior doors, energy efficient options are the only way to go. Energy efficient doors bring many benefits to your home:

**Lowered Utility Expenses**
As their name suggests, energy efficient doors are designed to be more energy friendly. Energy efficient doors waste less energy by reducing the amount of work your heating and cooling systems do.

Energy efficient doors are insulated effectively with great thermal reflection abilities, meaning that they can help keep temperatures within the home more consistent naturally. These features will ultimately reduce your utility expenses each month.

**Tax Credits**
Homeowners can often qualify for tax incentives if they install energy efficient doors. Governments are trying to reward more environmentally conscious living by providing assistance to those willing to choose energy efficient options. Make sure to do your research about what incentives you are eligible for.

**Home Comfort**
Energy efficient doors help keep the temperature of your home more consistent and therefore more comfortable. The temperature of your home will not fluctuate as much when the temperature outside rises or drops if you have proper door frame insulation. You will enjoy spending time in your home comfortably regardless of the wind-chill or humidity factor outside.

**Increased Home Value**
Many buyers are looking for energy efficient doors when purchasing a new home. Having new energy efficient doors will increase the overall value of your home, so it’s a good investment.
How to Choose Energy Efficient Doors

So, you’re ready to get green with an energy efficient door, but how do you choose which door is right for your home? Energy efficient doors will provide something called an “energy performance rating” that indicates the level of energy efficiency. The energy rating takes your local climate and home design into account.

The most common type of energy efficient door has a steel exterior with a polyurethane foam core for front door insulation. These types of doors typically do not require further weather stripping because of their magnetic seal and they lose much less heat than energy efficient sliding glass doors or even energy efficient patio doors.

If you are ready to install energy efficient doors, make sure you do the necessary research and work closely with a qualified professional like the team at Fasada to consider your options and receive quality installation. Contact us today to learn more about our vast selection of energy efficient doors.