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## **Policy for window replacement in Single-Family Dwellings**

**Window Replacement:** Existing sleeping rooms with window sash replacement (commonly known as inserts) or window replacement where the rough opening is not altered shall be maintained in conformance with the code edition under which they were originally installed. The openable area of replacement windows cannot be reduced in size on any side by more than one inch.

Window replacement in sleeping rooms in which the rough opening is changed must meet the requirements for egress of the current code.

**Safety Glazing:** The installation or replacement of glass shall be as required for new installation. Safety glazing is required in all hazardous locations including:

- Windows within 24 inches of the vertical edge of doors,
- In shower or bathtub locations where the bottom edge of the glass is within 60 inches of the walking surface,
- In walls enclosing stairway landings or within 5 feet of the bottom and top of stairways where the bottom edge of the glass is less than 60 inches above the walking surface,
- In certain conditions where the exposed bottom edge of glazing is less than 18 inches above the floor,
- Other locations described in Section R308 of the International Residential Code.