



WDMA TECHNICAL INTERPRETATION 98-2

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PERTINENT SPECIFICATION: ANSI/AAMA/NWDA 101/I.S.2-97, "Voluntary Specifications for Aluminum, Vinyl (PVC) and Wood Windows and Glass Doors"

SECTION(S) IN QUESTION: Life Cycle Testing

INTERPRETATION REQUESTED:

A manufacturer produces dual double hung and horizontal sliding windows. They would like to test windows to the AW classification, including AAMA 910, "Life Cycle Testing". How many cycles are required for the sash with the two following scenarios?

1. Both primary and secondary sash are glazed and weatherstripped the same.
2. The primary and secondary sash are glazed and weatherstripped differently.

INTERPRETATION MADE:

Option #1 would require that only the primary window be cycled if all components including hardware were identical. If the secondary sash has different hardware, it must also be cycled. Option #2 requires that both the primary and secondary sash be cycled.

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