

You may enjoy sunshine as much as the next homeowner, but too much sunlight can pose a problem in more ways than one. Not only can it make your home uncomfortably warmer than expected, but *it can also damage your carpets, upholstery and other furnishings.* If you enjoy sitting by a window on a clear, sunny day, the sun's ultraviolet rays can also be a significant danger for your skin.

Drapes and blinds can block the sun's rays, but it also blocks your view and excessively darkens your home. At Glamour Glaze, our range of 3M window films can help *reduce heat gain and UV penetration without sacrificing your home's brightness or your view of the great outdoors.* By tinting your home's windows, you'll gain several advantages that can help you save money and keep your home comfortable.

Lower Energy Bills

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, *the expense of heating and cooling your home can make up much as 48% of your home's utility bill.* Although you can gain significant savings by upgrading and using your cooling equipment efficiently, adding tinted film to your windows can offer additional savings.

Window tint films can reduce the effects of heat transfer by up to 78% when compared with untreated glass. In addition to blocking excess heat, our line of window tint films can also retain heat during the colder months. This can also help you save money on your heating expenses throughout the winter.

Solar Protection

Although having lots of direct sunlight can be a big benefit in your home, it can also create unsightly sunlight glare. *Too much glare can make it difficult to watch television or view computer monitors* without closing the blinds, which can also cut down on the amount of sunlight available.

Adding window tint film can help *reduce the amount of glare through your windows,* allowing you to enjoy sunlight without the harmful visual effects presented with excess glare.

UV Skin Protection

You might think you're safe from the effects of UV damage while you're inside, but *ultraviolet radiation can travel through your home windows as well as sunlight can.* Even when you're indoors, unprotected windows can allow harmful UVA and UVB radiation to pass through with little effort. Even a small amount of exposure to this kind of radiation can take a toll on your skin.

Consider the following:

- Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the U.S., with 5.4 million basal and squamous cell skin cancers diagnosed each year.
- 95% of the sun's UV rays that reach the earth are UVA rays. 75% of those rays can pass through unprotected windows.
- Although you're unlikely to get sunburned while sitting near a window for extended periods, you can still be at risk for certain cancers.

Tinted windows provide a solid barrier against UVA and UVB radiation, making it nearly impossible for UV rays to pass through while allowing visible light to gently filter through the film. Adding protective tint film on your home's windows can block up to 99% of UVA and UVB rays.

Fade Protection

Exposure to the sun's UV rays can also do a number on your home furnishings. *Constant exposure can cause fabrics to fade and discolor over time,* resulting in carpets and furniture taking on a faded appearance. Leather upholstery can also lose its color and natural oils under constant heat and sunlight, causing it to crack and fade prematurely. Wallpaper and hardwood flooring are also susceptible to fading and other UV damage when exposed to constant sunlight.

Adding tinted film to your windows can help protect your home furnishings against constant sunlight exposure. *Our 3M window tint films can reject up to 99 percent of all UV rays,* significantly reducing fading of your carpets, furniture and other decor.

Glamour Glaze: The Utah Window Tinting Solution

At Glamour Glaze, we specialize in protecting your home or business from damaging sunlight and UV rays. To learn more about our line of 3M window tint films, contact us here, or call us at 801-776-8468 for more information.