CHOOSING THE RIGHT ROOF WINDOW

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Roof windows are a truly desirable addition to any quality housing development or home extension, transforming a dark room into a bright and airy living space.

Natural daylight improves not only people's happiness and health but also productivity and performance if they work from home. A roof window ensures that fresh air is being breathed on a daily basis too – and when you choose a Dakea window, you're also guaranteed sound reduction, safety and energy efficiency. The Dakea range has the perfect roof window for every type of property and construction – so here's a useful guide to finding the right one for your project.

Which roof window?

For improved comfort and less noise.

Recommended: Ultima

For a window that keeps the room warm in winter and prevents overheating in summer, the Ultima is perfect for a living room or bedroom. This roof window is ideal if the property is in a noisy neighbourhood or facing the street as the Noise Block technology reduces noise (including rain) by 50% compared with standard windows. It also offers improved safety even in case of heavy impact on the pane.

Key features:

- Two different low-e coatings containing silver layers on the panes
- Laminated internal pane containing two layers of noise-reducing film
- Krypton gas filling
- Titanium dioxide coating
- Thicker external pane
- Improved noise-reducing cladding system

For energy efficiency and lower bills

Recommended: Ultima Energy and Ultima Energy PVC

The structure of the Ultima windows ensures fantastic, reliable insulation with less heat escaping in the winter and less warmth coming in during the summer – ideal for rooms where constant, reliable warmth is required such as living rooms and bedrooms. The triple-glazed roof windows mean lower energy bills and also improved U-value of both the glazing and the window itself.

Key features:

- Noise Block Technology
- Low U-Value (from 0.99W/m^{2}k)
- Triple pane glazing unit

For easy maintenance

Recommended: Better Safe PVC

For high-humidity rooms this steel-reinforced PVC roof window is perfect thanks to its increased resistance to humidity and dirt. The Better Safe PVC roof window is easy to clean, resistant to mould and requires very little maintenance. It's the ideal choice for kitchens and bathrooms, and requires very little maintenance during its lifetime.

Key features:

- Reinforced PVC frame
- Smooth and sleek PVC exterior
- Unique safe laminated pane

For safety

Recommended: Better Safe and Better Safe PVC

The laminated internal pane of the Better Safe roof window will keep occupants safe in the event of a glass breakage as the two pieces of glass won't shatter into large pieces but rather crack across the pane. Ideal for rooms which are likely to be used by children or lots of people such as kids' meeting rooms or playrooms.

Key features:

- Laminated internal pane
- Lifetime guarantee against hail damage

For emergency escape

Recommended: Better View

The high pivot on this roof window allows access to roof space in case of emergency (M4A size and above). The higher fixing of the hinge means there is ample space under the sash for anyone to get a good view when looking out and then to climb out, if necessary. Perfect for roofs with a shallow pitch and where access to the roof is either legally required or desirable.

Key features:

- High pivot construction
- Gas-spring assisted opening

For security

Recommended: KAQ Secure

The KAQ Secure has numerous rigorously-tested features, all designed to prevent burglars from breaking into the property, yet the KAQ Secure still looks as streamlined and modern as any Dakea roof window.

Key features:

- P4A classified glazing

- Extra-long anti-theft screws
- A pane glued to the sash
- Reinforced hinges with screw bolts and nuts
- Two hidden locks

For light and fresh air

Recommended: Good

For a high-quality roof window that delivers excellent value alongside improved light, ventilation and space, Dakea's Good roof window is a classic wooden-framed style with a centre pivot and bottom handle, ideal in corridors and offices.

Key features:

- Ventilation valve
- Two ventilation positions via handle
- Classic centre pivot construction

Should you choose wooden or uPVC windows?

Wooden frames have a more traditional look and feel which may suit some properties better. Dakea only uses master wood that is FSC-certified Nordic pine selected for its excellent wood density and resistance to extreme weather conditions. This wood is durable and easy to maintain, but is still likely to need repainting about every five to seven years to keep the window looking its best. Find out more about Dakea's production process here

PVC windows give a white, clean and modern look and Dakea's PVC windows are reinforced with steel for extra durability. PVC is resistant to mould and won't need varnishing or repainting during its lifetime. Just cleaning with a damp cloth every so often will keep it looking great.

Still need more help?

Still not sure which window would be best? Just go to our online window configurator **here**, input the details of your project and requirements and we'll find you the right roof window for the job. You can even download a PDF with all the details you need. If you'd prefer to talk to someone, simply get in touch with our customer support team on **020 3970 5080.**

At Dakea, we're so confident in the quality of our roof windows that every one comes with a 20-year guarantee for peace of mind, which automatically transfers from houseowner to houseowner should the property once registered, be sold.

All Dakea roof windows also have toughened panes with a lifetime guarantee against hail damage.
So just call us if there's any issue at all.

KEY TAKE OUTS

- Roof windows transform dark rooms into bright, airy spaces, good for health and fresh air.
- The Dakea range has a roof window for every type of property and construction.
- For comfort and reduced noise, the Ultima has two different low-e coatings and Noise Block technology for 50% less noise.
- For energy efficiency, the Ultima Energy and Energy PVC offer triple glazing and improved U-values.
- For easy maintenance, the Better Safe PVC has a smooth and sleek reinforced PVC frame that's resistant to mould, humidity and dirt.
- For safety, the Better Safe and Better Safe PVC feature laminated internal panes that won't shatter into large pieces.
- For emergency escape, the Better View has a high pivot and gas spring-assisted opening for easy access to roof space.
- For security, the KAQ Secure' features are specifically designed to prevent break-ins.
- For light and fresh air, the Good window range includes high quality wooden construction with ventilation valve at a great price.
- Wooden frames have a more traditional look, while PVC gives a white, clean and modern look with less maintenance.

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