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Spray Foam Insulation Frequently Asked Questions

Spray Polyurethane Foam (SPF) is a category of high-performance insulation and also acts as an air/vapour barrier material that offers an alternative to traditional building insulation. Due to spray foam's unique properties it has the ability to fill the gaps and holes in hard-to-reach areas. Spray foam is a great investment by helping to lower energy bills through reduced air leaks and improved energy efficiency to create a comfortable home.

LEARN MORE ABOUT SPRAY FOAM WITH SOME COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS.

How does spray foam insulation work?

 Spray Polyurethane Foam (SPF) is unique because it can expand many times its original size to cover surfaces, creating a seamless barrier that fills gaps, holes and stops air leaks.
 Specialized equipment is used to apply the SPF on-site and properly trained sprayers ensure it's applied safely.

Can I apply spray foam by myself?

 In Canada, spray foam insulation must be installed by an accredited certified contractor – it's not a DIY project.

What are the benefits of spray foam insulation?

- **Comfort** Helps prevent air leakage, improving the overall comfort of your home.
- Improved Indoor Air Quality Contributes to lower levels of humidity, dust and allergens inside the home
- Energy Efficiency Less energy required for heating and cooling resulting in lower utility costs and long-term savings.

What is R-value?

- R-value is an indicator of how well insulated your home is. It refers to the ability for a material to resist heat loss. The higher the R-value, the greater the resistance, the greater the insulating ability.
- Spray polyurethane foam (SPF) can be applied at different thicknesses depending on the R-value that you need to achieve within the different areas of your home and required R-value. There are many factors that determine the required R-value, including building codes and climate zones.



What is long-term thermal resistance (LTTR)?

 In Canada, the long-term thermal resistance (LTTR) value is the only recognized R-value approved in the building code.

Should I use open-cell or closed-cell spray foam insulation?

- If you want insulation that occupies less space with a high R-value and also acts as an air/vapour barrier, our WALLTITE® closed-cell spray foam will be the most suitable option.
- Open-cell foam, like BASF's ENERTITE®, occupies a little more space and has a lower R-value per inch. It still needs a separate vapour barrier to be installed.

Is WALLTITE environmentally friendly?

 WALLTITE is the next generation of spray foam insulation using lower global warming potential material. WALLTITE CM01 is also GREENGUARD, GREENGUARD GOLD and ECOLOGO certified.

Should I stay in the house after the spray foam application?

 As per industry application standards, SPF manufacturers require you to vacate the house for 24 hours after application.





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