

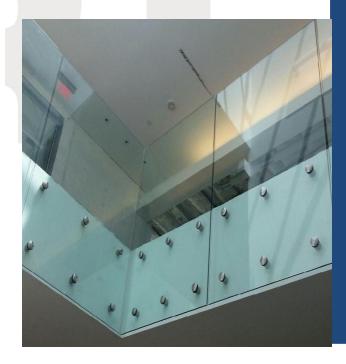


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# **LAMINATED GLASS**

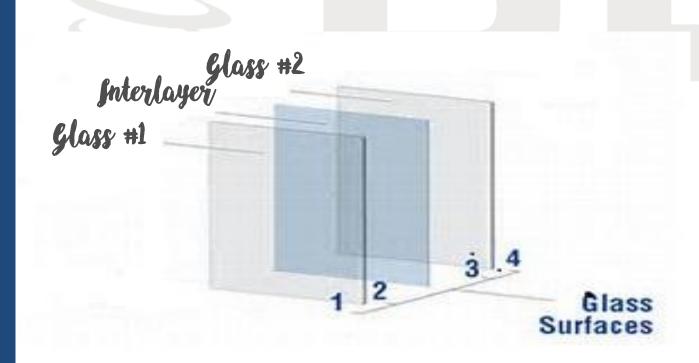






#### WHAT IS LAMINATED GLASS?

- Defined as "Two or more lites of glass permanently bonded together with an interlayer material"
- Our process bonds the glass and interlayer together under pressure and heat

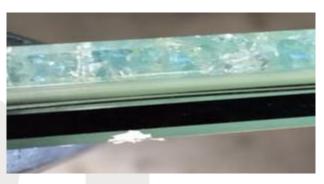






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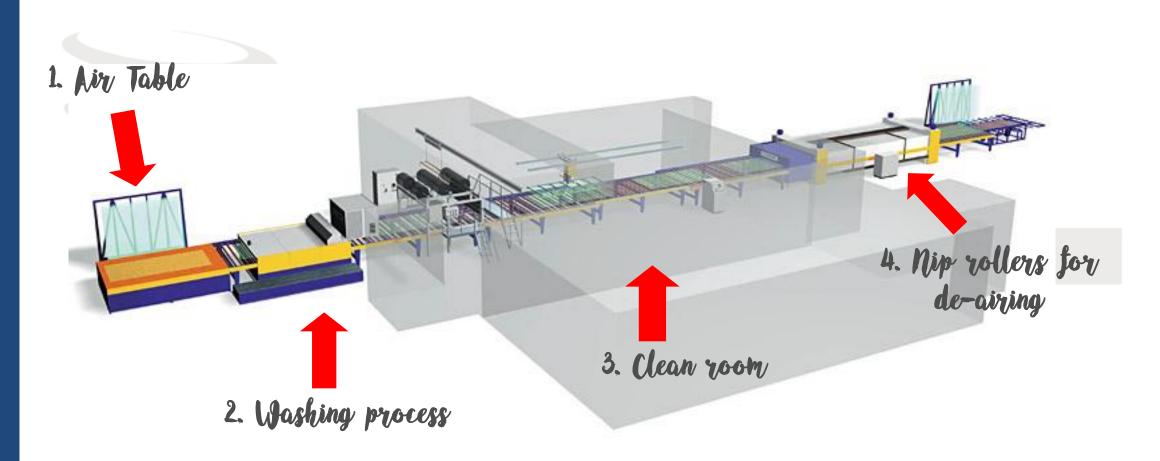
- Can be made using:
  - Annealed, heat strengthened or tempered glass
  - Tinted, reflective, patterned, mirror and some low e's
- Adds sound-damping
- UV-blocking properties
- Considered safety glass
  - If glass breaks, glass fragments adhere to interlayer
    - Reducing risk of injury or passage of persons or objects
  - Meets:
    - ANSI safety standards
    - ASTM standards for Laminated Architectural Flat Glass







### **LAMINATION LINE**





#### **LAMINATION VACUUM BAG**







- After the laminated glass sandwich has come thru the nip rollers, the glass can not be separated
- Next our technicians examine the piece and determine if a Vacuum bag is needed
- Edges are wrapped with a breather material, then wrapped with a bagging material and hooked up to a vacuum
- While in the Autoclave the bagged pieces have a dedicated tube pulling out any possible air left between the glass and interlayer
- Pieces using tempered glass, shapes, having holes/cutouts or have multiple layers of glass/interlayer must be bagged

### **LAMINATION AUTOCLAVE**

- Last step in lamination process
  - Glass is loaded on a steel a-frame
    - Glass will be cook in a vertical position





 While in the Autoclave glass is being heated and air pulled out at the same time



#### **LAMINATED LIMITATIONS**

- Max thickness is 2-3/4" overall
- Max size : 96" x 153"
- Min size:
  - Annealed- can be cut down after lamination
  - Tempered 12" x 12"
    - But too small to go thru Nip rollers

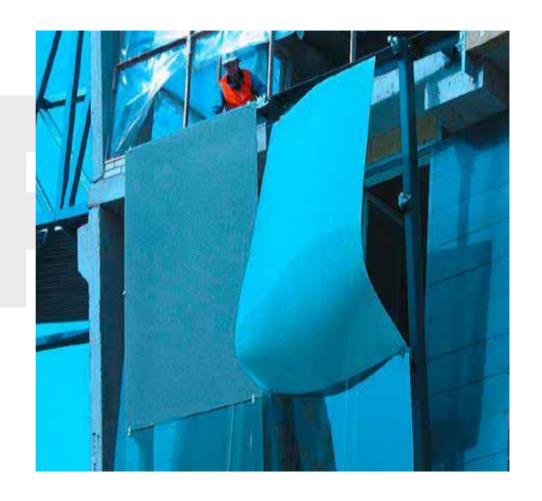




# **INTERLAYER TYPES – POLYVINYL BUTYRAL (PVB)**

- Most common used (Standard Interlayer)
- Lower cost with clear finish
- Four sided support glazing
- Wet Blanket effect when glass breaks







- PVB is offered in a variety of colors and thickness
- Our main supplier is Trosifol by Kuraray
- Supplied as rolls

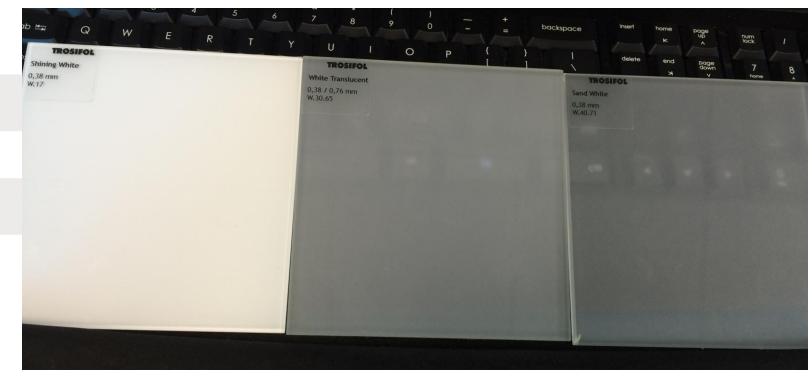






#### **PVB Options:**

- Clear
  - Max 96"
- Sound Control
  - Max 84"
- Bronze 52%
  - Max 72"
- Brilliant Black
  - Max 72"
- Diamond White
  - Max 72"



- 7% Shinning White
  - Polar White
  - Max 84"

- 65% Translucent White
  - Artic Snow
  - Max 96"

- 81% Sand White
  - Cool White
  - Max 96"



- PRL Rainbow Interlayer
  - Max 60"
  - consists of 12 standard colors
    - can be combined with any other PVB to create custom PRL Rainbow Interlayer colors
    - Maximum 4 layers can be stacked
    - Samples sets sold for \$75 each













## INTERLAYER TYPES - SENTRYGLAS® PLUS (SGP)

- Also know as lonoplast interlayer
- Impact Resistant
- Post breakage stability
- Structural interlayer
- Manufactured by Kuraray
- Can not be used with 1/8" glass
- Edges can be exposed
  - Less susceptible to moisture intrusion





#### **INTERLAYER TYPES – SGP CONT.**

#### **SGP Options**

- Clear
  - Rolls
    - Thickness .035
    - Max 72"
  - Sheets
    - Thickness .090 sheets
    - 72" x 120" (stock)
    - 84" x 144" (special order)
- Translucent White
  - Rolls
    - Thickness .030
    - Max 60"



#### **INTERLAYER THICKNESSES**

- Annealed
  - Can be made with .030, .060, .070, .090 or .105
- Heat Strengthened or Tempered
  - Minimum of .060 interlayer
    - Due to the process of heat treated glass each piece may have different distortions from the rollers. When sandwiched the additional interlayer will fill in this difference
      - 1/8" tempered glass not recommended, will have bad distortion
- Textured glass
  - Require .090 interlayer

Heatstrengthened glass

Laminated interlayer



#### LAMINATING LOW E GLASS

#### We only laminate using:

- Energy Advantage from Pilkington
  - Hard coat
- SN68 from Guardian
  - Soft coat requires edge deletion



#### Edge Deletion is required for all high performance glass

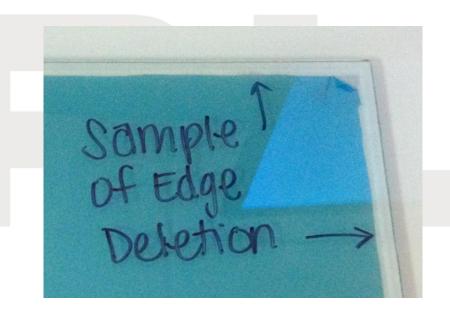
- Reduces the possibility of interaction from the chemicals in the sealant and the silver layers in the glass coating
- Applications with butt joints will show the edge deletion



#### **LAMINATING LOW E GLASS**

#### Two Options for Low E layup

- Embedded
  - Low E coating in direct contact with interlayer
  - Thermal performance is about the same as if not using Low E glass
- Exposed
  - Low E on exterior of laminated sandwich
    - to be used in an insulated unit facing the air spacer





#### **LAMINATION FABRICATION**

- Annealed laminated pieces
  - Fabricated after the lamination process
- Tempered laminated pieces
  - Must have all fabrication done before being laminated
  - While in lamination process pieces can shift and cause a slight offset













# CUSTOM LAMINATED OPTIONS COMBO INTERLAYERS



Clear with 65% translucent white

81% sand white with 65% translucent white



- Combining 2 layers of PVB on one laminated sandwich
  - Possibility for air bubbles
  - Interlayers and glass can shift during lamination process
    - No guarantee
      - To have a straight line at butt joint of interlayers

or

 Will measure exactly to measurements requested



### **CUSTOM LAMINATED OPTIONS ARIA**

 Custom cutting shapes in various glass types and combing like a puzzle in lamination



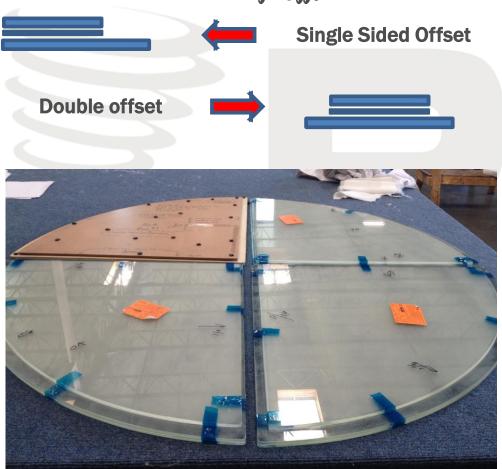






## **CUSTOM LAMINATED OPTIONS OFFSET**

Side View of Offset



Created by having one glass smaller than the other and either centering or aligning one or more edge during lamination

- Can not guarantee offset will hold to measurements given
  - Can shift about 1/8" during lamination process
- Interlayer will not be removed from offset location
- No warranty

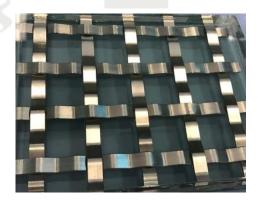


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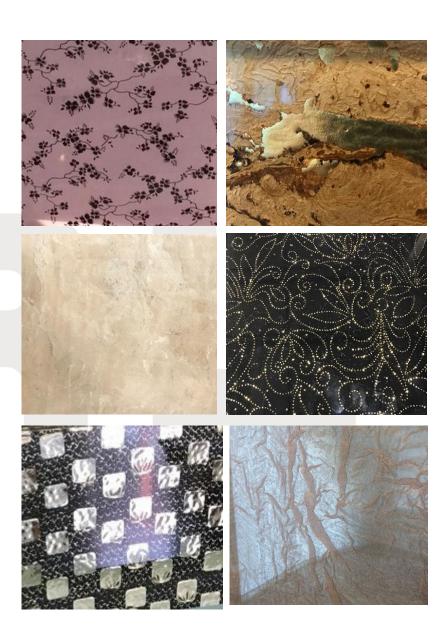
It is possible to laminate other materials in the laminated sandwich

- Fabric
- Vinyl
- Metal
- Organic

These types of jobs are very custom and bid on a case by case basis with no warranty









# **BULLET RESISTANT (BR)**



- 1-1/16" over all
  - Can create thicker overall if requested
- Max size is 48" x 96"
- Tested up to Level 3
  - Not UL Approved
- Made using Glass, PVB and Polycarbonate
  - Exact make-up not given out (trade secret)
    - Every manufacture has its own unique make-up
- Not considered physical attack resistant or blast resistant



## **LAMINATED - LIMITED 5 YEAR WARRANTY**

- From date of manufacture
  - Will need order / invoice number to provide
- When using PVB interlayer, PRL will not offer a warranty if the edges are exposed.
  - PVB can absorb moisture resulting in discoloration at the edge and perimeter of the product and/or cause delamination
- Custom laminated products may not offer a warranty



# PRL'S LAMINATED GLASS PROCESS:











