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# ANSWERS to the MOST COMMON RETROFOAM FAQ

#### What is RetroFoam?

RetroFoam is a tripolymer based resin that creates an odor-free, non-toxic foam insulation. This injection foam doesn't off-gas, is Class One Fire Rated, and safe to have in your home.

#### Who's Not a Good Fit for RetroFoam?

There are only a couple of instances where RetroFoam might not be right for you. If your exterior walls don't have any cavity space to fill and if your home doesn't have any sheathing.

# What is the Difference Between Injection Foam and Spray Foam?

It comes down to how both are installed. Spray foam is sprayed into open cavities like attics, crawl spaces, and rim joists. Injection foam, like RetroFoam insulation, is injected into enclosed cavities like walls. Can I Insulate Just One Problem Wall?

You can, but there is a bigger picture to consider. You always want to look at your home like an entire system. If you focus on just the one wall, you'll likely not get the results you want.

#### How Do You Know When the Wall Cavity is Full?

Your local RetroFoam dealer has been specially trained to ensure the wall cavity is completely filled. This training includes running the hose from the top of the cavity down to the middle and then from the bottom up. This method ensures the foam fills all of the nooks and crannies in the wall cavity.

#### How Will My Home's Exterior Affect the Installation Process?

The process for aluminum and vinyl, brick, and wood are all different. Your RetroFoam dealer will explain the process in detail to you after evaluating your home.



#### Can the Interior Drywall Pop, Crack, or Bow During Installation?

While rare, this can happen. It's important to address your concerns with your RetroFoam dealer so you can make sure you are both on the same page on what will happen if this occurs.

#### How Long Does the Installation Process Take?

In most cases, the installation takes less than a day. It all comes down to the size of the home, so ask your local RetroFoam dealer how long your specific install will take.

#### Can RetroFoam Be Installed from the Inside?

Yes, it can. It can be a little messy, as the installation crew will be drilling into the drywall, but they also make sure to cover any and all surfaces and clean up after themselves.

## Can Interior Walls Be Insulated with RetroFoam?

Interior walls can be insulated with injection foam. Some homeowners choose to do this to reduce noise from room to room.



#### How Can I Tell if There is Old Insulation in My Walls?

Taking off an outlet cover or a light switch will give you access to take a quick peek in the wall to see if there is any existing insulation. Another option is to drill a hole somewhere inconspicuous to get a look.

# What Happens to the Old Fiberglass in the Walls?

When RetroFoam is injected into the walls, the old fiberglass is compressed as it fills in every nook and cranny in the cavity.

#### Can You Fish Wires Through RetroFoam if the Electrical Needs Work?

You sure can! RetroFoam is soft and pliable, which means you won't have any trouble fishing wires through it.

#### Does RetroFoam Insulation Reduce Noise Transmission?

Sound deadening is an added bonus of RetroFoam insulation. While injection foam won't completely soundproof your home, it will help make it a little quieter.

### Should I Insulate the Wall Between My Home and Attached Garage?

Yes, you should because that can be a source of air leakage, especially if your garage isn't insulated.

#### How Much Money Can I Save on Energy Bills?

The amount you save on monthly energy bills can vary depending on the age of your home and its construction. Your lifestyle can also play a role, depending on your thermostat settings and your electrical usage.