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Functional Aesthetics Fuel Growth for Frameless Interior Glass Systems

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Modern buildings are designed to take advantage of natural daylighting. By bringing the outside into core areas, designers can create a ring of light making interior spaces like lobbies, corridors, and reception areas highly appealing to employees, residents, visitors, and guests. Glass, a proven performer in terms of energy efficiency, creates this aesthetic. Today's interior glass systems, in particular, are emerging as a key driver to achieve the overall vision for a building.

Why are interior glass systems so popular? In a word, versatility. Interior glass combines aesthetics and functionality to enhance a space. This dynamic is redefining design. Options include:

Demountable Interior Glass Wall Systems. Open and enticing spaces with the benefit of Sound Transmission Class ratings.

Manual Sliding Door Systems. Single and bi-parting glass doors offering an unobstructed view and allowing natural light to shine through the doorways.

Fittings for Glass Doors and Assemblies. Enhance frameless glass door design, preserving the transparent elegance of glass systems.

Glass Partitions. Efficiently separate spaces for physical privacy while maintaining visual openness, space allocation, and sound control.

Horizontal Sliding Walls. Sliding, folding, and movable wall systems offer a flexible solution for managing multi-functional spaces.

Architectural Handles and Glass Lock Sets. The finishing touch of a door (designed for any door material, style, and thickness).

In addition, interior glass systems offer many functional and design benefits – some not typically associated with glass.

Security. Interior Glass Systems can control the flow of people and access during and after hours yet remain visibly inviting.

Safety. Glass is a hygienic solution for space division without sacrificing collaboration.

Sound Transmission. Glass systems can offer a sound transmission rating that keeps conversation private from surrounding spaces.

Enhanced Space. Interior Glass Systems naturally opens up a space by making smaller areas appear larger. Competitive materials such as wood, dry wall, and brick often feel more confined.

Transparency. Options exist for increasing opacity to maintain light while assuring privacy.

Low Cost of Ownership. Low maintenance costs make Interior Glass Systems especially appealing. Once installed, cleaned properly, and used according to the manufacturer's instructions, glass maintains its clarity and appeal for years.

Durability. Tempered interior glass walls are designed to withstand high traffic environments without compromising personal safety or overall performance.

Dramatic Design. Frameless Interior Glass Systems offers options for design statements without visual barriers.

How to Connect with the Right Supplier for Success

All Interior Glass Systems suppliers are not created equal. The best are single sources who represent integrated partnerships of highly trained manufacturers, fabricators, and glaziers. All of these professionals understand the role of interior glass design in achieving an architect's vision and specialize in taking interior glass and related hardware to final assembly and installation.

Consider these success tips when considering Interior Glass Systems for any project.

1. **Contact suppliers early in the design process.** They are technical product experts who can make sure that the Interior Glass Systems is spec'd correctly for maximum structural performance.
2. **Provide clear information about the true function of the door.** Is it egress? Is it emergency exit? Will it use card reader access or have normal public access? What level of security is expected? Is its primary function dramatic design? All answers will influence the final Interior Glass Systems product recommendations and configurations.
3. **Match the correct hardware design and glass thickness.** This ensures maximum system functionality and integrity.
4. **Expect your supplier to be a consultative partner before and after the sale.** Interior Glass Systems is a considered purchase, not a commodity one although specific glass specs are sometimes not included in the initial building design concepts. Since Interior Glass Systems is one of the last installations in a construction job, there isn't time for back-and-forth changes to rectify a problem once the building project reaches this close-to-end stage. Preferred partners are a single source from concept to installed use.

The Bottom Line

Use of glass systems will continue to grow as a preferred materials due to energy efficiency and the desire to integrate natural light. Whether you're selecting manual sliding doors for an open office environment, framed or frameless glass walls for conference rooms, or moveable glass

walls that let you catch all the action in a stadium or arena, interior glass systems offer a clear advantage to make any project visibly inviting and functionally solid.

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