

## TINTBUYER.COM FREE GUIDE

### *Skin Cancer*

*excerpted from The Skin Cancer Foundation [www.skincancer.org](http://www.skincancer.org)*

#### **Statistics**

- *Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. More than one million skin cancers are diagnosed annually.*
- *About 90 percent of non-melanoma skin cancers are associated with exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun.*
- *About 65 percent of melanoma cases can be attributed to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun.*

#### **What about you?**

*“Ultraviolet rays (UVR) are sneaky. Not only can they cause skin cancer and visible signs of aging, they're also very good at finding you. They can bounce off water, off sand, and they can penetrate glass. Which means that even if you're inside your car or house, if you're sitting next to a window with sunlight streaming in, you're at risk for UV damage.”*

*In addition, film can “... block out up to 99.9 percent of UVR. This helps prevent not only sunburn, but also the brief daily UV exposures that cumulatively accelerate and multiply the risk of skin cancer. In addition, the film can be lifesavers for people with diseases involving dangerous photosensitivity, such as xeroderma pigmentosum and lupus.”<sup>1</sup>*

In parallel with The Skin Cancer Foundation's help in understanding the benefits of window film outlined above, they have gone one step further to offer a “Seal of Recommendation” to certain films and manufacturers. While it makes sense to consider the products listed with the “Seal of Recommendation” from the Skin Cancer Foundation, you should feel free to ask whether other products have similar UV performance but are not yet listed.



If skin cancer is a concern for you, you need to get more detail from your Tintbuyer.com independent installer than just “UV rejection” when looking at various products. Specifically, while all glass filters UVB rays (280 nm – 315 nm<sup>2</sup>), you need to pay particular attention to the performance of films in the UVA range (315 nm – 400 nm).

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<sup>1</sup> If Tintbuyer.com had a team of lawyers, they would insist we remind you that we are not doctors and are not giving medical advice – we are only trying to bring good information to you.

<sup>2</sup> “nm” = nanometers, ref. [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org)