

Add it on to Existing Homes

If your home was built without the convenience and safety of direct basement access, you can follow the simple steps shown here. We recommend you read our literature and plan for the actual placement of the PermEntry unit. Contact your local PermEntry dealer and they can recommend a concrete cutter and excavator to prepare the foundation opening. Your local PermEntry dealer will deliver and install the basement entry unit to your prepared site. You will soon be enjoying maximum use of your basement. This practical addition will give you safety, convenience and can add to the resale value of your home later on.



The PermEntry retrofit... adds access and value!

1. Stake off the area to be excavated. Call your local utility companies to verify power and utility line locations.
2. The excavator or landscape contractor will dig away soil and fill from foundation wall.
3. The opening in the foundation wall should be cut no larger than 40". In case of stone or rock foundations, ask your local PermEntry dealer to review the foundation prior to cutting. To get an effective butyl resin seal, a flat foundation surface is necessary.
4. PermEntry dealer delivers and installs the PermEntry precast stairwell.
5. Once the PermEntry precast stairway is installed, the Bilco door is anchored and caulked. The area is then backfilled and landscaped. For steel doors, a finish coat of alkyd metal enamel in a light color must be applied to all metal surfaces inside and out. **DO NOT USE AN OIL BASE WOOD PAINT.**

On a block and stone wall foundation, a steel support is installed on a concrete slab under the unit.



Work Space Access



Fresh Air & Daylight



Convenience

