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## **Quality Appearance and Performance Combined in New Weather Seal Innovation**

A bespoke range of seven colour-matched weather seals, using cutting edge design and manufacture, has been launched by Origin, making it the only UK folding sliding door manufacturer to offer such an extensive choice of colours for seals.

The Q-Lon weather seal range was developed by working closely with Schlegel, the global leader in the design and manufacture of high quality weather seal window and door products, and is the latest in a range of innovations from Origin for its <a href="Easifold">Easifold</a> folding sliding door system. The range combines an enhanced aesthetic appearance with superior protection from noise, weather and other external factors.

Designed exclusively for the Origin bifold system and with a lifetime guarantee, these acoustical seals are made from durable, flexible cladding and soft resilient foam. Independently tested, the Q-Lon weather seals provide outstanding acoustic performance to create excellent barriers to noise. The seal will also provide superior weather protection and resistance to a host of other external factors including draughts, rain, snow, dust, heat, cold and wear. In addition it also retains excellent memory, returning to its original shape after compression.

The Q-Lon gasket range also provides the best <u>energy saving</u> characteristic currently available, which makes it an ideal fit for the Origin folding sliding door. It features U-values of 0.06 W/mK, outperforming current British Building Regulations by an impressive margin.

Neil Ginger, Origin CEO, comments: "To ensure the same exacting standards of quality engineering that go into Origins bifold door system were adhered to, we chose to work with Schlegel as the best in class for this sort of product development. By co-ordinating the colour of the powder-coated aluminium with the seal colour, not only does this new range of weather seals further improve the performance of the doors in terms of weather and noise protection, it also significantly improves their aesthetic appearance meaning homeowners will no longer have to look at a black gasket running between each of their doors."

The seals which fit between each individual bifold door panel will complement Origin's most popular door colours including Black, White, Light Oak and Chestnut Brown, as well as more contemporary colours such as Bronze, Silver Grey and Graphite Grey. This new launch is the latest in an exciting range of recently introduced product enhancements from Origin, the UK's leading manufacturer of aluminium bifold doors, which include bespoke designer blinds, a kite marked Euro Magnum Cylinder for added security and a new woodgrain colour option.

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## **About Origin**

Origin is the UK's leading specialist manufacturer of bespoke aluminium folding sliding doors. The company was founded 10 years ago when cousins Neil Ginger and Victoria Brocklesby found they could not get great aluminium folding sliding doors for their building projects. Their ambitious solution was to create a company capable of manufacturing the UK's best quality doors, backed by uncompromising levels of service. The result is the Easifold range of cleverly designed, beautifully made and exquisitely finished sliding folding doors, featuring a unique free-glide running system.



At Origin, personal service and attention to detail is everything. High standards of craftsmanship and uncompromising levels of service, together with industry leading initiatives have positioned Origin's as the UK's leading manufacturer of bifold door systems. Every Origin door comes with a 20-year industry leading manufacturer's guarantee. Origin is unique in its ability to offer a 'Your Lead Time, Not Ours' delivery policy.

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