



How To Choose The Best Garage Door Opener For You

Are you in need of a new garage door opener? Or maybe you are in the process of building a new home or garage and realized you need to choose a type of garage door opener.

Although garage door openers may not be something that people think about often, they impact everyday life. Taking the time to choose the best garage door opener for your home can benefit you greatly in the long run.

Today, [CA Overhead Door](#) wants to help by giving some advice on how to find the best garage door opener for you and your home.

Choose A Good Brand

While price certainly plays a factor in your garage door decisions, finding a reliable brand is also very important.

While higher quality premium garage door openers may be a touch more expensive, many home owners find their quality and longevity make them well worth the initial cost.

At CA Overhead Door [we love LiftMaster garage door openers.](#)

Select The Right Amount Of Horsepower

Another factor to consider is the amount of horsepower you will need for your garage door opener to have. There are a variety of options in this area, but on average a garage door will need a ½ horsepower.

[According to Champions Experts in Garage Doors.](#)

“Check the horsepower (HP) ratings. For residential models, the ratings should range from 1/2 to 1-1/2 horsepower motor. A 1/2 horsepower is enough for sectional double-car garage doors.”

Be sure to be aware of horsepower when you are picking out your garage door opener.

The Size Of Your Garage Door Matters

Before making your decision on the right garage door opener for your home, you should measure your door and know its weight.

The typical garage door is 7 feet high. The majority of garage door openers are made to work with the average 7-foot garage door.

If you find that your door does not fit within the typical measurements you will need to find a garage door opener that works well with *your* garage door size.

Know The Variety Of Drive Types

A very important aspect to understand about garage door openers is the differing drive you can have and what they have to offer.

[According to Quality Overhead Doors,](#)

“Drive options: You need to know about the three different kinds of drives before you look for a new garage door opener: chain, screw, and belt.

A chain drive is the least expensive and most durable, but it’s also the noisiest. A screw drive is a middle of the road option that is less noisy than a chain drive, a little more expensive, and much more likely to require maintenance. Finally, a belt drive is the most expensive option, but also the quietest of the three.”

Smart Garage Door Openers Vs. Traditional

Smart garage door openers are another great option. They are very efficient, high quality, and quiet. This type of garage door opener is becoming more and more popular.

[Liftmaster](#) is a long-lasting and reliable type of garage door opener. This type of garage door opener is great quality and offers smooth and controlled movement.

In particular, Liftmaster’s Premium series is perfect for you if you want to be extra cautious about your home’s security. These smart garage door openers have features that will help keep you, your family, and your home safe!

If you need assistance choosing the best garage door opener for your home, or are ready to have a new garage door or door opener installed, [contact us at CA Overhead Door today!](#)



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