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GBC Kitchen & Bath Compares Cabinet Refacing and Replacement

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ASHBURN, VA - GBC Kitchen & Bath has published a guide that compares cabinet refacing with cabinet replacement for homeowners planning a kitchen update. The guide, updated on October 26, 2026, is meant to help readers decide which conversation to have before they book a design consultation.

"We offer cabinet replacement rather than refacing, and the guide lays out the differences so homeowners can choose the right type of provider," said Burak Sahin, lead designer at GBC Kitchen & Bath. "The condition of the existing boxes usually decides which path makes sense."

The guide is open about the company's own scope and covers refacing, replacement and refinishing in turn. The full comparison guide is available on the company website.

According to the guide, refacing keeps the existing cabinet boxes and changes how they look with new doors, drawer fronts and visible finishes. Replacement installs new cabinetry and can support a changed layout. Refinishing, or painting, changes color but does not alter door shapes or the position of any box.

The guide suggests that homeowners begin by listing what they actually want to change. A new color can come from any of the three paths, and new door styles are possible with refacing or replacement. Moving the sink, range or refrigerator, adding an island or peninsula, taking upper cabinets to the ceiling or opening a wall all require replacement.

Cabinet box condition is described as the deciding factor. Refacing suits solid boxes with no sagging shelves, no water damage at the sink base or toe kicks, and square face frames that still hold a door. Racked or twisted boxes will not accept new doors cleanly, and refacing does not repair hidden damage or reset the age of the cabinets.

Homeowners who lean toward refacing are encouraged to request samples and the full specification of the proposed doors, finish material, edge treatment and attachment system. The guide explains that refacing systems vary widely, so a generic material label says little about quality or about how well the new parts will fit the existing boxes.

For replacement, the guide outlines stock, semi-custom and custom cabinet construction and notes that new cabinetry lets homeowners rethink proportions with taller uppers, deeper drawers or integrated appliance panels. Door styles, finishes and storage options can be reviewed on the company's cabinets page .

The article also covers practical questions on both sides. It recommends asking for a project-specific schedule, confirming when cabinets must be emptied and appliances disconnected, and asking what will be retained, recycled or disposed of. It adds that no cabinet project guarantees a resale return, so the scope should follow the room's condition and the household's needs.

GBC Kitchen & Bath assigns a dedicated project manager who coordinates company staff and specialist subcontractors, and its kitchen, bathroom and basement projects carry a three-year workmanship warranty. Homeowners in Loudoun County can see cabinet and countertop samples in person at the Ashburn showroom in Ashburn Shopping Plaza.

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