

# Preventing Condensation, Damp and Mould in Your Home

## What is condensation?

Condensation happens where there is a lot of moisture in your home.

This is caused by everyday activities such as boiling kettles, cooking, and showering.

## What does condensation look like?

This is condensation on a window



## Did you know?

Having a bath or shower can create 1.5 pints of moisture in your home.

Activities	Pints of moisture
Cooking and using a kettle	3
Having a bath or shower	1.5
Washing dishes	1
drying clothes indoors	4.5



Making sure your home is free of mould and damp is important for your health and is much easier than you think.

## **Top Tips for Preventing Damp and Mould**

### **Open your windows**

Open your windows to let out moisture when you are cooking, boiling a kettle, bathing or showering.



Ensure your extractor fan is working.

Dry any moisture you find gathering on the windows.

### **Close your doors**



Close doors when having a shower or bath, or when cooking.

This will stop moisture moving round your home.

## Drying clothes

It is better not to dry your clothes inside but sometimes it is the only option.

You can open your windows or put them on vent to help moisture escape from your home.



## Heating

Having your heating on, even at a low level can avoid cold spots and reduce the chance of getting mould.



However, we know the cost of gas and electricity is increasing.

If you are struggling to heat your home or to pay your bills, please contact your Housing Officer on 0141 342 1810.

## Furniture



**Keep your furniture away from the walls to let air circulate.**

**Avoid overfilling wardrobes and cupboards as this can cause damp and mould.**

## Water Leaks

**Report water leaks immediately by calling 0141 342 1820.**

**This will let us deal with the problem quickly.**

**You can use a bucket or bowl to collect any drips until the maintenance person arrives to fix it.**



**If you want to speak to us about condensation and dampness, please do not hesitate to contact your Housing Officer on 0141 342 1810 at any time.**

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