

Fact sheet

Trickle vents

What are trickle vents?

Trickle vents are small openings at the top of window frames. They help to provide a continuous, controlled flow of fresh air into your home, and they also allow stale and moist air to escape.

Why are they important?

Modern double glazing makes homes more airtight, and this means that without ventilation, moisture can get trapped indoors. Trickle vents help reduce condensation caused by cooking, showering and bathing, washing clothes and dishes and so on, and reduce the risk of damp, mould and condensation.



They provide ventilation without needing to fully open windows also help to improve indoor air quality by allowing fresh air in and getting rid of cooking smells and similar more effectively.

They improve air circulation throughout the home and reduce stuffiness and stale air.

Benefits for energy efficiency

Trickle vents allow background ventilation with minimal heat loss. They help balance ventilation and insulation, while maintaining the energy-saving benefits of double glazing.

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