

Fact sheet

Door undercuts

What are door undercuts?

Door undercuts (also called door clearance or under-door gaps) are intentional gaps between the bottom of an internal door and the floor. They are a small but essential design feature in creating modern, energy-efficient buildings.

Why are door undercuts important?

They help to improve the airflow and ventilation between rooms by allowing air to circulate even when doors are closed, which in turn helps to maintain a consistent flow of air throughout your home.

They also help to reduce the build-up of stale air in closed rooms, and help to remove or dilute moisture, odours, dust, allergens and so on.



Moisture control

In kitchens and bathrooms, door gaps help to reduce the risk of damp, condensation and mould growth, and they also help to protect walls, ceilings, and furnishings from moisture damage.

Comfort

Door gaps help to even out temperatures throughout your home and stop rooms becoming stuffy, too hot and too cold, which in turn helps to create a more comfortable living environment.

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