

DON'T PUT A 'DAMP'ER ON YOUR HOME



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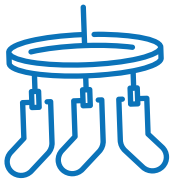
Condensation is something we all try to avoid, but this can be tricky, especially during the colder months.

Now winter is here, many of us will be turning up the heating and shutting the windows to keep out the cold air, unfortunately this can lead to issues with condensation.

Our repairs manager, Mike Scourfield provides a few things we can all do to help prevent it:

"Condensation is a common problem, if ignored it can turn your home into a damp unpleasant place and increase your heating bills. Here's my tips you can take to stay warm, and keep your home free from damp:

If you can, hang washing outside to dry and avoid drying on radiators



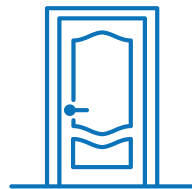
If you have to dry washing inside do this in the kitchen or bathroom, so the window can be left open and/or extractor fans switched on to help remove moisture

Cover pans when you're cooking

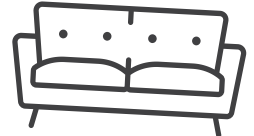


Don't leave kettles and pans boiling for longer than necessary and use extraction fans where possible

Keep the kitchen and bathroom doors closed to stop moisture moving around your home

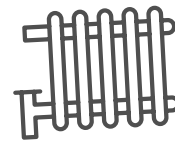


Keep your furniture away from the walls to allow air to circulate



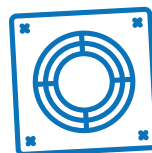
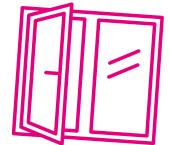
Keep trickle vents on your windows open at all times

Open all windows for 20-30 minutes every morning to ventilate your home – make sure curtains and voiles are out of the way while doing this



Keep your heating on a low level throughout the day rather than blasting it for short periods

Open kitchen and bathroom windows during cooking and washing for at least 30 minutes after to help disperse moisture



Keep extractor fans on and clean any fan filters regularly (at least once a month)

If you are experiencing problems with damp, after trying these tips, remember we're here to help, please call 0800 408 0000

Don't forget you can also find out more information on condensation at [cbh.org/services/your-home/repairs/#condensation](https://www.cbh.org/services/your-home/repairs/#condensation)