

# Here are some tips on reducing mould and condensation

**✗ Do not** dry clothes over radiators as this will lead to mould growth



**✓ Do** dry clothes using an airer, washing line or externally vented tumble dryer



**✗ Do not** block or tape up air vents



**✓ Do** leave air vents open. This allows air to flow, helping to reduce condensation and mould



**✗ Do not** leave rooms that get wet without ventilation



**✓ Do** open your windows to let the steam out. Use your extractor fan if you have one. This allows air to flow



**✗ Do not** leave condensation on windows and frames



**✓** wipe the condensation off your windows and frames. Always keep your trickle vents open if you have them



**✗ Do not** push your furniture & belongings against the wall



**✓ Do** leave at least a 2 inch gap for air and heat to flow around furniture



**✗ Do not** keep your home under 19 °C



**✓ Do** control your heating using the thermostat to keep the temperature between 19 °C - 24 °C



## Windows, doors and vents



- Open your windows first thing in the morning and leave them open for at least an hour.
- Wipe condensation off your windows
- Leave internal doors open to allow air to flow
- Keep trickle vents open all year round if your windows have them
- Never block or cover air brick vents



## Heating

- Turn your heating on twice a day - early morning and evening
- Set your thermostat between 19-24 c, depending on the age of the property as advised by the surveyor
- Do not dry clothes on radiators. A clothes horse can be used in front of an open window, away from any radiators



## Fans

- If you have extractor fans, always use them when bathing or cooking. Never turn them off, fans don't cost much to use.



## Decoration

- Keep a 2 inch gap between your furniture and walls, this will allow air to flow. Keep all other belongings away from your walls
- Treat any mould in your home using over the counter anti mould sprays or paints.
- Keep walls and ceilings in a good condition, we recommend that you decorate every 3 years.