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Guidance Note No. 5

Manifestation of Glazing in Non-domestic Buildings

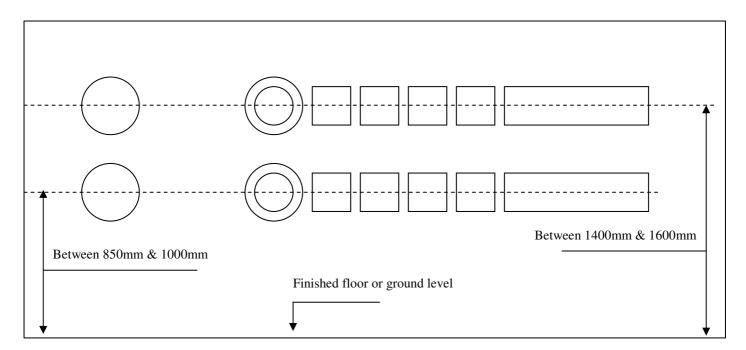


As of 1st May 2004 all Manifestation of glazing will need to comply with Part M (2004) of the Building Regulations – these requirements are detailed below.

"Manifestation of Glazing" is necessary in critical locations where people moving in or about a building may not be aware that glazing is present and may collide with it. These "Critical Locations" include areas of uninterrupted transparent glazing which form, or are part of, the internal or external walls and doors of shops, showrooms, offices, factories, public or other non-domestic buildings.

The risk of collision is more severe when two parts of the building, or the building and its immediate surroundings, are at the same level but are separated by transparent glazing.

Where "Manifestation" is necessary, it may take the form of broken or solid lines, patterns or company logos at appropriate heights and intervals (see diagram below)



Notes:

- 1. If using a logo or sign it must be at least 150mm high
- 2. If using decorative features such as broken lines or continuous bands they must be at least 50mm high
- 3. Glazed entrance doors that form part, or are adjacent to a glazed screen must be clearly differentiated by providing a high contrast strip at the top and on both sides.
- 4. Glass entrance doors if capable of being held open, are protected by guarding to prevent the leading edge constituting a hazard.

All Manifestation must contrast visually with the background seen through the glass (both from inside and outside) in all lighting conditions.





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