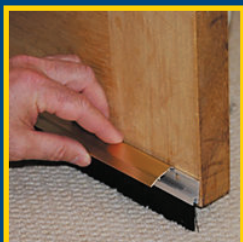




## Energy advice on... **Draught proofing**



Regular maintenance can ensure doors and windows operate as efficiently as possible.

### Doors

- Keeping doors fully locked makes them tighter and less draughty.
- Fit door strips around draughty door frames.
- Fit a door brush strip along the bottom of the door.
- Fit a letterbox cover.
- Fit a cover over the keyhole.



### Windows

- Air vents are meant to open and close, so if rooms are cold, you can close these temporarily – adequate ventilation is essential in rooms with solid fuel or gas fires, or a boiler with an open flue and helps to avoid a build up of condensation.
- Full length thermally lined curtains are better than blinds at keeping out draughts.





## Floors

- Carpets with underlay are better than wooden flooring at keeping out draughts.
- Before laying or replacing flooring fill any gaps between floorboards and around skirting boards.
- In the top picture Draughtex Floorboard Filler was used and comes in three thicknesses for small, medium and large gaps.



## Radiators

- Fit reflective material behind radiators to redirect heat loss through the walls back into the room – especially external walls.
- Radiators do not need to be removed to fit reflective material and can be fitted out of the line of sight.
- There are materials that can be pinned onto the wall or attached to rods that hang from the radiator brackets.

