

Glazed screens manifestation

Approved Document

Note: Where there appears to be a conflict between the guidance in Part M and Part N, Part M takes precedence.

Design Considerations

2.22. People with visual impairment should be in no doubt as to the location of glass doors especially when they are within a glazed screen. The choice of different style of manifestation for the door and the glazed screen can help to differentiate between them.

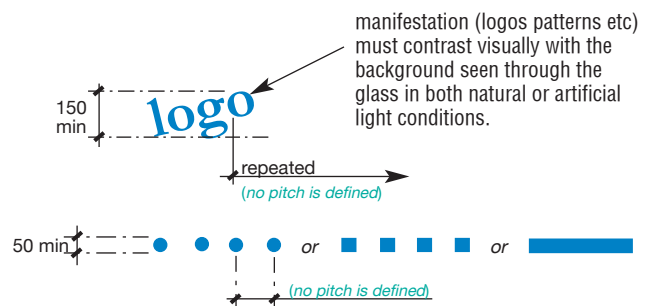
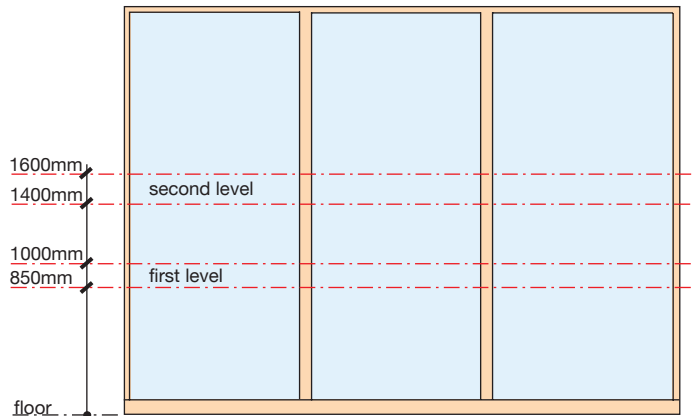
2.24. Glass doors and glazed screens will satisfy Requirement M1 or M2 if:

2.24a. They are clearly defined with manifestation on the glass at two levels, 850 to 1000mm and 1400 to 1600mm, contrasting visually with the background seen through the glass (both from inside and outside) in all lighting conditions

2.24b. Manifestation takes the form of a logo or sign at least 150mm high (repeated if on a glazed screen), or a decorative feature such as broken lines or continuous bands, at least 50mm high:

3.14. Corridors and passageways will satisfy the Requirement of M1 and M2 if:

3.14i. Any glazed screens alongside a corridor are clearly defined with manifestation on the glass at two levels, 850 to 1000mm and 1400 to 1600mm, **contrasting visually** with the background seen through the glass in all lighting conditions (*see 2.24(b) for details of manifestation*).



Definitions

0.29. Contrast Visually

When used to indicate the visual perception of one element of the building, or fitting within the building, against another means that the difference in light reflectance value between the two surfaces is greater than 30 points.

(for further information, reference should be made to Komfort's 'Colour contrast guidance document M4a')

Komfort's View

It is Komfort's view that the manifestation applied to glazed screens in and about a building should from the 1st May 2004 for new building works meet the requirements of Part M of the Building Regulations (as guided by Approved Document M) unless your building work is subject to the transitional provisions.

Additional Guidance Information

Guidance Note M1 : General Introduction

Guidance Note M2 : Transitional Provisions

Guidance Note M14 : Glass doors manifestation.

Guidance Note M23 : Door opening furniture contrasting visually with the surface of the glass doors.

Guidance Note M34 : Glass Door sizes when installed with aluminium door frames.

Guidance Note M36 : Door frames contrasting visually with the surrounding wall.

Guidance Note M36 : Leading edge of a door that is not self-closing, contrasting visually with the other surfaces and its surroundings.