

Condensation and mould tips

In the winter months (October to March) internal condensation can form on external walls and cause mould and mildew to develop. This can be an issue in shared houses due to the sheer amount of water vapour that is created.

A few tips:

- If you have things pushed up directly against external walls without an air gap, then mould can develop due to the lack of air circulation.
- Ensure extractor fans are used when having a shower and make sure all the group are aware. It's important to extract the water vapour at source.
- Ensure oven hoods and kitchen fans are used when cooking in your kitchen. Again, it's important to extract the water vapour at source.
- Regularly open the windows and ideally have them on window lock if you are at University (the setting before it's fully locked to ventilate the room). If you can see condensation on your window, then that is an indication that you need to ventilate the room.
- I would be careful about drying any clothes in your room or communal areas and use the tumble-dryer. This can be one of the biggest causes.
- If you spot any areas affected. We recommend this product for an instant solution but please read the instructions carefully https://www.amazon.co.uk/HG-Mould-Remover-Foam-Spray/dp/B01CRBEUVO/ref=sr_1_1_sspa?s=kitchen&ie=UTF8&qid=1540223147&sr=1-1-spons&keywords=hg+mould+spray&psc=1
- Use dehumidifiers if they have been provided. You will be surprised how much water there is in the atmosphere.