



Energy Efficiency and Historic Buildings: Draught-proofing Windows and Doors (Paperback)

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HISTORIC ENGLAND, United Kingdom, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: N/A. Brand New Book. This guidance note provides advice on the principles, risks, materials and methods for improving the thermal performance of existing windows and doors by draught-proofing. Draught-proofing is one of the most cost effective and least intrusive ways of improving the comfort of occupants and reducing energy used for heating with little or no change to a building's appearance. It also has the added benefit of helping to reduce noise and keeping out dust. Research has shown draught-proofing can reduce air leakage from windows by between 33 and 50, therefore significantly reducing the heating requirement needed for the room. Historic windows and doors make a major contribution to the significance and character of historic buildings and areas so every effort should be made to retain them rather than replace them. Windows and doors can tell us a lot about the history of a building, changing architectural taste and style, social hierarchy, building economics, craft skills and technical advances. Older buildings are prone to heat loss through cracks and gaps which develop as various building elements move and distort over a long period. This is often the case...



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