

## Glass and Glazing Federation Visual Quality Standard for Glass

Not abiding by these instructions will result in these visual effects being noticeable that otherwise would normally appear invisible.

- A dusty or milky appearance
- Small scratches and particles

Encourage all staff and customers to be aware of these instructions and to follow them. Site visits times should also be considered and to avoid times of the day when direct sunlight is prominent.



A totally flawless piece of glass is extremely rare. If you look close enough at any piece of glass you will almost certainly find a minor blemish. The question that has to be answered is, is the flaw or mark of such a nature that it spoils the appearance of the window. In an attempt to help resolve what can be a contentious issue the GGF has devised the following test to enable both customer and glazing companies to examine the glass against an objective standard.

TEST: - Inside the house stand around 3 metres back from the glass. You must ensure that the test is carried out in daylight but **not in direct sunlight**. The area which you are checking is the whole window with the exception of a 50mm (approx. 2") wide band round the edge.

The glass is considered to be acceptable if the following are not obvious nor bunched together:-

Totally enclosed seeds, blisters, hairlines or blobs, fine scratches not more than 25mm (approx. 1") long and minute embedded particles.

**NB** Patterned glass, due to the way it is made, is not governed by the above guidelines.