

Brighton & Hove

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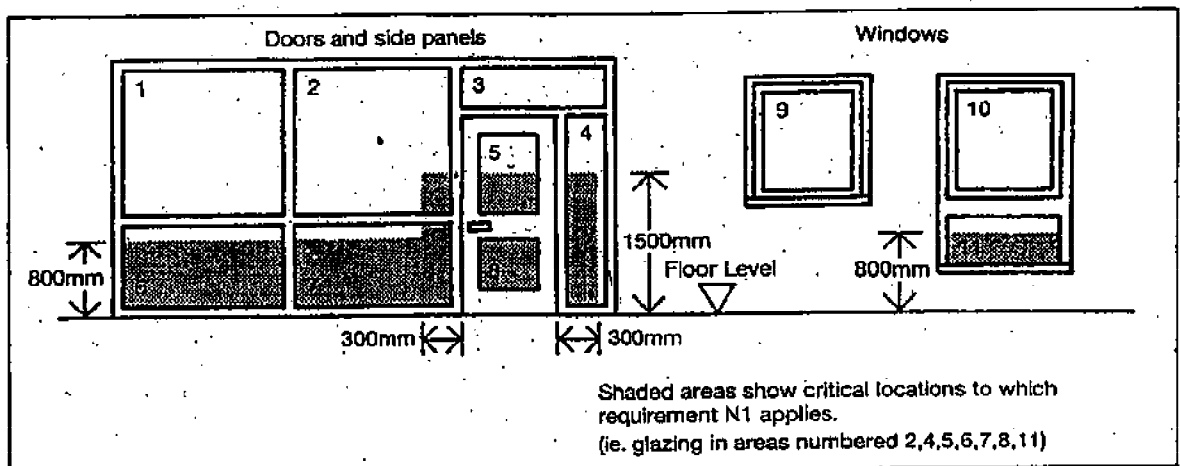
The Building Regulations contain a requirement to provide safety glass in certain 'critical' locations in buildings. This requirement only applies to completely new areas of glazing in internal and external walls and doors and not replacement of existing glazing.

BUILDING REGULATION N1

Glazing which people may come into contact with should:

- break in a way which is unlikely to cause injury, or
- resist impact without breaking, or
- be shielded or protected from impact.

The diagram below indicates locations considered 'critical' in terms of safety in internal and external walls.



The requirement can be met by using glass in certain critical locations which:

- if it breaks, complies with the BS6206 test for safe breakage, or
- be of a certain thickness for its size or installed in small panes, or
- be permanently protected by a screen.