

Document Q update.

We are now in a position to manufacture composite doors that will comply with the Document Q legislation for new build installations. There are a few points to be aware of when ordering these, such as:

- 6.8mm Laminated glass must be used. This means all of the decorative glass options are not available.
- Letterbox's must be fitted with a Letterbox Cowl on the inside of the door. See the attached photograph. SWC will pre drill the fixing points in the door slab and send the Cowl loose for you to screw to the door on site. Fitting instructions will be sent with each door but this is very straight forward.
- Spy Holes are to be fitted to all solid doors and doors with obscure glass. This will cause problems with certain styles of slabs such as the Ayton, Ganton and Hackness that do not lend themselves to a spy hole.
- Doors must be installed with a door chain. SWC WILL NOT BE SUPPLYING THESE. CUSTOMER TO SOURCE THEIR OWN.
- The cost of a Doc Q composite door is more than a standard door as the skins are thicker in the relevant areas and the formulation of the skin is different. They do look the same once manufactured. The extra cost for these doors is £25 +vat. The letterbox Cowl is also an extra £14 - £21 +vat, depending on the colour.

We are finding that Document Q specification differs depending on your area. Building control officers have varying levels of understanding therefore it is imperative you discuss the requirements with them directly for each particular job you are working on.

All Document Q quotations and orders you place with SWC will be processed as follows:

- GT Hinge Bolts to all windows and doors where possible
- 6.8mm Laminated glass to all doors
- 6.8mm Laminated glass to all windows within 400mm of a door
- 6.8mm Laminated glass to all ground floor windows or windows easily accesible via a flat roof. (This is a specification that some building officers are not reinforcing)
- AluK Aluminium single doors, French doors and Bi-fold doors have upgraded hardware
- Aluminium Warmcore Bi-fold doors are Doc Q compliant as standard
- uPVC Bi-fold doors have upgraded hardware
- Residence 9 windows are Doc Q compliant as standard
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Please contact either myself or Mark Catchpole for further clarification if required.