

4.0 INTERNAL ENVIRONMENTS

4.1 ENTRANCES

THIS SECTION DEALS WITH THE LAYOUT AND DESIGN OF BUILDING ENTRANCES.

4.1.1 MANDATORY PROVISIONS

The design of the building entrance (see figure 21) will satisfy the performance objectives if:

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

For all new buildings the principal entrance or entrances as well as any staff entrances and associated lobbies shall provide a safe and easily identifiable accessible means of entry into the building. For existing buildings where it is not possible to make the principal entrance accessible an alternative accessible entrance shall be provided.

GENERAL

1. The principal entrance / entrances are easily identifiable both by their relationship to the approach route and by their design within the building façade.
2. The accessible entrances are clearly sign-posted from the edge of the site and from the principal entrance (if this is not accessible).
3. Signage is in accordance with Section 7.5 and is visible on and from the routes to the building.

4. The entrance doors contrast visually with the surrounding façade.
5. A clear level area of 1500mm x 1500mm, with a surface that does not impede wheelchairs, is provided in front of every accessible entrance.
6. Shading devices and / or recessed doors are provided and any structural supports are easily identifiable by people with a visual impairment.
7. The principal entrance should have a door entry systems are accessible to people with hearing impairments and people who cannot speak.
8. Where outward opening doors are provided they are set back, recessed or protected by guardrails or planting beds so that pedestrians are protected (see Figure 22)

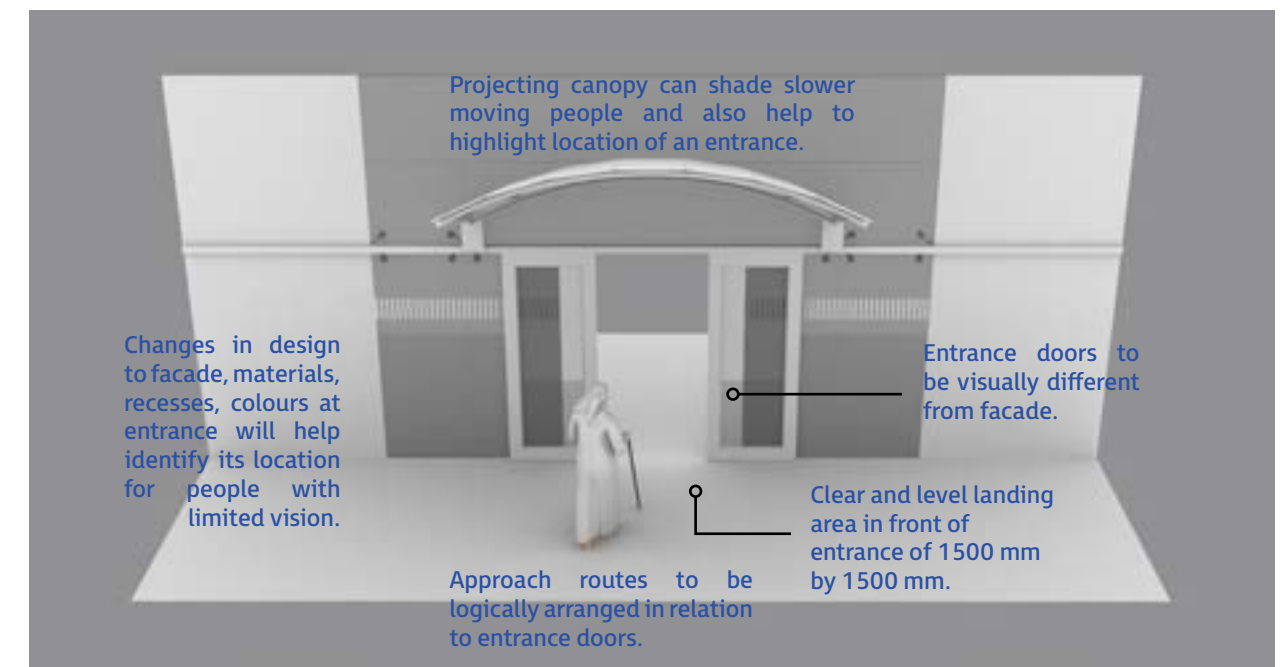


Figure 21 / Entrance identification