

Why do we carry out your electricity check?

We need you to be safe in your home which is why we must carry out regular electrical maintenance checks.

What we do to keep you safe

Send a qualified, competent electrician, who will undertake a Periodic Inspection which will result in the creation of an Electrical Inspection Condition Report (EICR).

During our safety check we will:

- Test circuits and conduct a visual inspection of the electrics:
 - The electrical intake (where the electricity enters the property, near to the consumer unit/fuse box)
 - The consumer unit
 - The main protective bonding (which connects pipework with the electrics in a property)
 - Any fixtures and fittings (such as light fittings and sockets)
 - The condition of wires and cables
 - Carry out necessary repairs or remedial work

The electrical test will take approximately two hours to complete.

You may think it's not necessary to carry out checks but did you know?

3,486

fires caused by faulty appliances or leads.

7,051

fires caused by misuse of equipment or appliances.

Home Office statistics for 2022/23.

Did you know?

It's the law to ensure your electrical installations are tested and deemed safe before you move into your home and at regular intervals afterwards.

What we must do regarding electrical installation maintenance

- Ensure that the electrical installation and electrical equipment we own, in your home is safe
- Ensure your property is free of any serious electrical hazards, including:
 - Exposed wiring
 - Overloaded sockets
 - Poorly installed electrical systems
- Ensure that any threats from accidental fires are minimised, by ensuring:
 - Residual Current Devices (RCDs) are fitted
 - The distribution board and wiring are regularly checked and maintained
- Make sure any electrical work complies with the building regulations. Some work (including new circuits, alterations to existing circuits in bathrooms, and replacement consumer units is notifiable). This must be verified by the issuing of a building regulations compliance certificate
- It is recommended best practice that we arrange for an Electrical Installation Condition Report (EICR) to be carried out at least every five years. EICRs are important to verify the electrical safety of properties and spot hazards

Things to remember

Do buy reputable electrical goods

Cheaper, 'unofficial' electrical products such as phone chargers may not meet safety regulations, increasing the risk of fire. ✓

Do allow electrical inspections to take place

Regular checks are the best way to be sure that electrical installations are safe, and to spot potential problems before it is too late. ✓

Don't do it yourself!

DIY wiring can lead to electrical parts overheating, causing fires, shocks and death. ✗

Don't overload sockets

Plugging too many devices into one socket, and over-using extension leads, can lead to overheating and fires. ✗

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