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The Chief Executive
Unitary, Metropolitan, District and
London Borough Councils in England and
County and County Borough Councils in Wales

The Town Clerk, City of London
The Clerk, Council of the Isles of Scilly
The Sub-Treasurer, Inner Temple
The Under Treasurer, Middle Temple

The Head of Building Control
Unitary, Metropolitan, District and
London Borough Councils in England and
County and County Borough Councils in Wales
City of London
Council of the Isles of Scilly

Approved Inspectors

The Chief Fire Officer
Fire and Rescue Authorities in England and Wales

cc. The Chief Executive:
County Councils in England
National Park Authorities in England and Wales

9 March 2009

Dear Sir or Madam

BUILDING (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2009 (S.I.2009/466)

BUILDING REGULATIONS 2000 (S.I. 2000/2531)

I am writing to inform you about the Building (Amendment) Regulations 2009 ("the Amendment Regulations") and associated documents. The Amendment Regulations were made on 3 March 2009 and come into effect on 1 April 2009.

The principal purpose of the Amendment Regulations is to amend column 2 of paragraph 2 of Schedule 2A to the Building Regulations 2000 by adding a new competent person scheme operator, Capita Gas Registration and Ancillary Services

Limited. Column 2 of paragraph 2 lists those persons from whom building control bodies may accept notices or certificates as evidence of compliance with building regulations for the installation of heating and hot water systems connected to a heat-producing gas appliance, or associated controls.

The Amendment Regulations also amend Schedule 2A in a number of places to reflect changes made by the Electrical Contractors Association which mean that all its schemes are now operated by its wholly owned subsidiary EC Certification Limited.

Publications

The Department has published Circular 01/2009 which lists and describes all the changes made to the Building Regulations 2000, as amended.

Contacts

If a building control body wishes to contact Capita Gas Registration and Ancillary Services Limited about a particular installation or registered installer or notification of completed work the contact details are:

Web: www.GasSafeRegister.co.uk

E-mail: enquiries@gassaferegister.co.uk

Tel: 0800 408 5577

Address:

Gas Safe Register
200 Cedarwood
Crockford Lane
Chineham Business Park
Chineham
Basingstoke RG24 8WD

Contacts for EC Certification Limited remain as before when the schemes operated under different names.

Schedule 2A

An annex to this letter sets out, for ease of reference, a full version of Schedule 2A incorporating the amendments made by the Amendment Regulations.

Enquiries

All enquiries on this Circular Letter should be addressed to:

E-mail: enquiries.br@communities.gsi.gov.uk

Post: Sustainable Buildings Division, Department for Communities and Local Government, 4/A3 Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU

Tel: 020 7944 4821

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Sturrock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Sarah Sturrock

Annex

Schedule 2A to the Building Regulations 2000, as at 1 April 2009

Self-certification schemes and exemptions from requirement to give building notice or deposit full plans.

Column 1	Column 2
<i>Type of work</i>	<i>Person carrying out work</i>
1. Installation of a heat-producing gas appliance.	A person, or an employee of a person, who is a member of a class of persons approved in accordance with regulation 3 of the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998.
2. Installation of heating or hot water service system connected to a heat-producing gas appliance, or associated controls.	A person registered by Capita Gas Registration and Ancillary Services Limited or CORGI Services Limited in respect of that type of work.
3. Installation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. an oil-fired combustion appliance which has a rated heat output of 100 kilowatts or less and which is installed in a building with no more than 3 storeys (excluding any basement) or in a dwelling; b. oil storage tanks and the pipes connecting them to combustion appliances; or c. heating and hot water service systems connected to an oil-fired combustion appliance. 	A person registered by NICEIC Group Ltd, Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors (Certification) Limited, Oil Firing Technical Association Limited, NAPIT Registration Limited or Building Engineering Services Competence Accreditation Limited in respect of that type of work.
4. Installation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. a solid fuel burning combustion appliance which has a rated heat output of 100 kilowatts or less which is installed in a building with no more than 3 storeys(excluding any basement); or b. heating and hot water service systems connected to a solid fuel burning combustion appliance. 	A person registered by HETAS Limited, NAPIT Registration Limited, Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors (Certification) Limited, NICEIC Group Limited or Building Engineering Services Competence Accreditation Limited in respect of that type of work.
5. Installation of a heating or hot water service system, or associated controls, in a dwelling, other than a combustion appliance or its associated controls.	A person registered by Building Engineering Services Competence Accreditation Limited, Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors (Certification) Limited, NICEIC Group Limited, Corgi Services Limited or NAPIT Registration Limited in respect of that type of work.
6. Installation of a heating, hot water service, mechanical ventilation or air conditioning system, or associated controls, in a building other than a dwelling, other than a combustion appliance or its associated controls.	A person registered by Building Engineering Services Competence Accreditation Limited or NICEIC Group Limited in respect of that type of work.
7. Installation of an air conditioning or ventilation system in an existing dwelling, which does not involve work on systems shared with other dwellings.	A person registered by Corgi Services Limited, NAPIT Registration Limited or NICEIC Group Limited in respect of that type of work.

8. Installation of a commercial kitchen ventilation system which does not involve work on systems shared with parts of the building occupied separately.	A person registered by Corgi Services Limited or NICEIC Group Limited in respect of that type of work.
9. Installation of a lighting system or electric heating system, or associated electrical controls.	A person registered by EC Certification Limited or NICEIC Group Limited in respect of that type of work.
10. Installation of fixed low or extra-low voltage electrical installations.	A person registered by EC Certification Limited, British Standards Institution, NICEIC Group Limited or NAPIT Registration Limited in respect of that type of work.
11. Installation of fixed low or extra-low voltage electrical installations as a necessary adjunct to or arising out of other work being carried out by the registered person.	A person registered by Corgi Services Limited, EC Certification Limited, NAPIT Registration Limited, Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors (Certification) Limited, NICEIC Group Limited or Oil Firing Technical Association Limited in respect of that type of electrical work.
12. Installation, as a replacement, of a window, rooflight, roof window or door (being a door which together with its frame has more than 50 per cent of its internal face area glazed) in an existing building.	A person registered under the Fenestration Self-Assessment Scheme by Fensa Ltd, or by CERTASS Limited or the British Standards Institution in respect of that type of work.
13. Installation of a sanitary convenience, washing facility or bathroom in a dwelling, which does not involve work on shared or underground drainage.	A person registered by CORGI Services Limited, NAPIT Registration Limited, Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors (Certification) Limited or NICEIC Group Limited in respect of that type of work.
<p>14.-(1) Subject to paragraph (2), any building work which is necessary to ensure that any appliance, service or fitting which is installed and which is described in the preceding entries in column 1 above, complies with the applicable requirements contained in Schedule 1.</p> <p>(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. building work which is necessary to ensure that a heat-producing gas appliance complies with the applicable requirements contained in Schedule 1 unless the appliance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. has a rated heat output of 100 kilowatts or less; and ii. is installed in a building with no more than 3 storeys (excluding any basement), or in a dwelling; or b. the provision of a masonry chimney. 	The person who installs the appliance, service or fitting to which the building work relates and who is described in the corresponding entry in column 2 above.