



Case Number
FOI-1

Freedom of Information Request

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Request Details

Electrical safety queries

1. Do you currently carry out electrical safety inspections across your social housing stock?

- a. Yes, across all our housing stock (go to question 3)
- b. Yes, but only across part of our housing stock (go to question 3)
- c. No (go to question 2)

2. Why don't you carry out regular electrical safety inspections?

- a. Not a legal requirement
- b. Cost prohibitive
- c. Too disruptive to tenants
- d. Don't have the time
- e. Don't know how to go about it
- f. Other (specify)

Go to question 7

3. How often do you carry out these inspections?

- a. Every 5 years
- b. Every 10 years
- c. On change of tenancy
- d. During home improvements (e.g. fitting of new kitchens)
- e. Other, please specify

4. How do you find the electrician that carries out these inspections for you?

- a. Through a trade or certification body (SELECT, SJIB, NICEIC, NAPIT)
- b. Online web search
- c. Local advertising media
- d. Recommended by someone/organisation
- e. Social media
- f. Don't know/Don't remember
- g. Other – please specify

5. Do you carry out any form of interim visual inspection for electrical defects on your properties?

- a. Yes, across all our housing stock (go to question 6)
- b. Yes, but only across part of our housing stock (go to question 6)
- c. No (go to question 7)

6. How often do you carry out these interim visual inspections?

- a. Every year
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- d. Other, please specify

7. Do you provide any White Goods (e.g. fridge freezers, washing machines etc) as part of your tenancy agreements?

- a. Yes (go to question 8)
- b. No (go to question 9)

8. Do you have any systems in place for checking whether the White Goods you supply may become subject to a product recall?

- a. Yes
- b. No

9. Are Residual Current Devices (RCDs) fitted in your properties?

- a. Yes, across all our housing stock
- b. Yes, but only across part of our housing stock
- c. Unsure
- d. No

10. Do you provide advice to tenants regarding electrical safety and how to manage electrical risk in their homes?

- a. Yes (go to question 11)
- b. No (go to question 12)

11. Please specify which advice you provide.

- a. Information provided at start of the tenancy
- b. Leaflets provided or made available
- c. User manuals provided for all appliances included as part of the tenancy
- d. Promote details on social media and online channels
- e. Other, please specify

12. What, if anything, would you like to see happen with electrical safety regulation in the social housing sector?

- a. Stay the same

- b. Change to a mandatory regime, similar to requirements in the private rented sector (i.e. mandatory 5 yearly inspections of installations and any appliances provided as part of a let and RCDs fitted in consumer units)
- c. Undecided

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