

# Be Gas Safe!

Ensuring you are Gas aware is paramount to keeping yourself and others safe in your home.

## **Gas appliances should be fitted, fixed and serviced by a Gas Safe engineer.**

The Gas Safe register website - [gassaferegister.co.uk](http://gassaferegister.co.uk) has a 'Find an Engineer' service which enables you to find a local Gas Safe Engineer as well as the capacity to check if an engineer is Gas Safe.

Gas Safe Engineers have their own unique licence number on their ID card which shows the type of work they are qualified to do.

## **Gas appliances should be serviced every year by a Gas Safe engineer, or if available, follow the manufacturer's instructions. Gas appliances in your home include:**

- Gas fires
- Gas cookers or hobs
- Gas boilers
- **Central heating systems, radiators or hot water systems if they are connected to a natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) supply**

## **Fit an audible carbon monoxide (CO) alarm.**

The Health and Safety Executive states that CO poisoning kills around 7 people a year. A CO alarm is a precaution against poisonous gas and should be fitted following manufacturer's instructions and annually checked. As a further precaution ensure you know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning.

**It is the responsibility of the Leaseholder** to maintain appliances (if they have supplied them with the property), pipework and flues, to ensure annual gas safety checks are carried out and to record these checks, details of which should be provided to the tenant within 28 days. If you have new tenants moving in they should be supplied with the gas safety check report before moving in. These records should be kept for 2 years.

## **If you suspect an appliance is unsafe turn it off and do not use it until it has been checked by a Gas Safe engineer.**

**GAS EMERGENCY** If you suspect a gas leak and are feeling unwell take immediate action. Call National Gas Emergency number **0800 111 999**

Useful websites:

[hse.gov.co.uk/gas](http://hse.gov.co.uk/gas)

[gassaferegister.co.uk](http://gassaferegister.co.uk)

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