

ENERGY PERFORMANCE LEGISLATION

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1. DISPLAY ENERGY CERTIFICATE - January 2013 update (England & Wales)

Display Energy Certificates (DECS) are part of the implementation of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive by the United Kingdom. DECs promote the improvement of the energy performance of buildings by raising the public awareness of energy use.

From July 2015 a DEC and advisory report are required for buildings with a total floor area over 250m² that are occupied in whole or part by public authorities and frequently visited by the public.

2. ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE (Scotland)

The certification in Scotland differs slightly and has also been updated from July 2015.

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Built-Environment/Building/Building-standards/enerperfor/epcguidance>

3. WHY DOES MY BUILDING REQUIRE A DEC OR EPC?

You will require a DEC or EPC because:

- The building has a gross floor area in excess of 250 square meters
- The building is occupied by a public authority or institution providing public services.
- The building is frequently visited by members of the public.

For more information see the Guide to Display Energy Certificates and Advisory Reports for Public Buildings <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/display-energy-certificates-and-advisory-reports-for-public-buildings>

Annual renewal is required for those buildings with a floor area in excess of 1,000 SQ M

Useful Links

The Carbon Trust offer extensive advice on reducing energy consumption and educating staff in good practice:

- [Carbon Trust main website](#)
- [Carbon Trust Publications](#)
- [Carbon Trust Staff Awareness](#)
- [Carbon Trust – Healthcare](#)

Renewable Energy

The [Department of Energy and Climate Change](#) is the driving force behind the government's policy for significant reform of the energy market. The goal is to ensure that the UK has a diverse and affordable energy system, knowing that natural resources are diminishing across the globe. An extensive and often confusing range of technologies are now available to property owners and occupiers.

It is well worth keeping any eye on these pages to get the latest updates on advice and changing legislation which will impact on the way you run your business in terms of energy procurement and consumption.