



Safety Bulletin 110

CORGI replaced by the Gas Safe Register

Gas Safe Register replaced the CORGI gas register in Great Britain and the Isle of Man on 1 April 2009. The CORGI gas registration scheme in Great Britain and the Isle of Man ended on 31 March 2009. It is no longer recognised by law as the gas safety register.

All CORGI gas engineers have been asked to transfer over to Gas Safe Register. Check and see if your gas engineer is now a Gas Safe registered engineer. You should also ask to see your engineer's Gas Safe Register ID card.



What is Gas Safe Register?

Gas Safe Register exists to protect you, your family, and your property from dangerous gas work.

Incorrectly fitted, badly repaired or poorly maintained gas appliances are a major cause of lethal carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning, and can also lead to gas leaks and explosions.

To carry out work on gas installations and appliances safely and legally, engineers in Great Britain and the Isle of Man must be on the Gas Safe Register. We make sure the 120,000 engineers on the register are safe by inspecting the gas work they have carried out.

We are interested in the experiences you have had, when using gas engineers. You can report good or bad gas work to us using our 'nominate gas work for inspection' service.

Who runs Gas Safe Register?

Gas Safe Register is run by Capita Gas Registration and Ancillary Services Limited, a division of Capita Group Plc.

Gas Safe Register is the official gas registration body for Great Britain (GB) and Isle of Man, appointed by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) for Great Britain and HSWI for Isle of Man.

Gas Safe Register replaced CORGI as the gas registration body in GB on 1 April 2009. The HSE carried out a review of gas safety in 2006 which, after consultation with the gas industry, engineers and the public, led to the decision to change to a new gas registration scheme. The contract to run the new scheme was



awarded to Capita and we launched Gas Safe Register. The sole focus of the register is on improving gas safety.

There is only one gas safety register that you need to use. Look for the yellow Gas Safe Register triangle not the orange CORGI registration badge. Anyone carrying out work on gas must be registered with Gas Safe Register. If not, they are breaking the law and putting you and your family at risk.

Only a Gas Safe registered engineer is legally allowed to install gas appliances, boilers, hobs, ovens or fires in your home or workplace. You must only use a Gas Safe registered engineer for any type of gas work, including installation, maintenance and servicing.

Find a Gas Safe registered engineer

You should use a Gas Safe registered engineer to carry out gas work safely and legally. You can find a Gas Safe registered business in your area using the panel on the Gas Safe website –

www.gassaferegister.co.uk

You can find a Gas Safe registered business on the database there 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Check that your engineer is Gas Safe registered

All gas engineers should be registered with Gas Safe Register by law to work with gas. Always check a gas engineer is on the register before employing them to carry out work for you. And when your engineer arrives on your doorstep, always ask to see their Gas Safe Register ID card before letting them in.

What gas work needs to be done by a registered engineer?

All gas work carried out in your home and in certain commercial premises should be done by a Gas Safe registered engineer. Gas work includes:

- ✚ installing, repairing or servicing a gas boiler
- ✚ installing or repairing a gas fire, gas cooker or hob
- ✚ any other work on a heat producing appliance, for example radiators or your hot water system, if it is connected to either a Natural Gas or LPG (liquid petroleum gas) supply

Not all gas engineers are qualified to do all types of gas work.



What about DIY?

Never DIY with gas. You will be putting yourself and those around you in serious danger from carbon monoxide poisoning and gas explosions.

Last year, 14 people died from CO poisoning related to gas and, 234 people suffered serious health problems. Be gas safe and never DIY with gas, even if you think it might save you money.

If you require any further information, clarification or assistance with the above, then please do not hesitate to contact us;

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