
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 875

The Electricity and Gas (Energy
Company Obligation) Order 2022

PART 5

Qualifying actions

CHAPTER 4

Requirements for heating measures

SECTION 2

Additional requirements for heating measures

General requirements relating to heating measures

- 27.—(1)** A heating measure meets the requirements of this article if—
- (a) the measure is not—
 - (i) the installation of equipment for the generation of heat wholly or partly from coal; or
 - (ii) the installation of a connection to a district heating system that delivers heat generated wholly or partly from coal;
 - (b) where the measure is the installation of equipment for the generation of heat wholly or partly from biofuel, oil or liquefied petroleum gas, the measure—
 - (i) is installed at off-gas premises;
 - (ii) is a repair of a central heating system; and
 - (iii) complies with the off-gas heating hierarchy in article 30;
 - (c) where the measure is the installation of a connection to a district heating system that delivers heat generated wholly or partly from biofuel, oil or liquefied petroleum gas, the measure—
 - (i) is installed at off-gas premises;
 - (ii) is a repair of the district heating connection; and
 - (iii) complies with the off-gas heating hierarchy in article 30;
 - (d) where the measure is the installation of equipment for the generation of heat wholly or partly from mains gas,^{F1}... the measure is installed at on-gas premises;
 - [^{F2}(e) where the measure is the installation of an electric storage heater, but is not a repair—
 - (i) the measure has a responsiveness rating equal to, or greater than, 0.8 when assessed against the Standard Assessment Procedure; and
 - (ii) the measure—

- (aa) replaces an electric heating system at on-gas premises;
 - (bb) is installed at on-gas premises where one or more electric storage heaters are already installed;
 - (cc) is installed at on-gas premises which, immediately prior to the installation of the measure, have neither an efficient heating system nor an inefficient heating system; or
 - (dd) is installed at off-gas premises;
- (f) where the measure is the installation of an electric heating system, but is not a repair—
- (i) the measure has a responsiveness rating equal to, or greater than, 0.8 when assessed against the Standard Assessment Procedure; and
 - (ii) the measure—
 - (aa) replaces an electric heating system at on-gas premises;
 - (bb) is installed at on-gas premises where one or more electric storage heaters are already installed;
 - (cc) is installed at on-gas premises which, immediately prior to the installation of the measure, have neither an efficient heating system nor an inefficient heating system; or
 - (dd) is installed at off-gas premises;]
- (g) where the measure is the installation of a central heating system or a district heating connection not referred to in sub-paragraph (f), but is not a repair, the measure is an efficient heating system;
- (h) where the measure is the installation of a boiler, but is not a repair—
- (i) it is an efficient boiler; and
 - (ii) where the boiler forms part of a wet central heating system, hydraulic balancing of the central heating system is carried out following the installation of the boiler;
- (i) where the measure [F3: includes the installation of equipment for the generation of electricity by renewable means], the measure is installed at domestic premises—
- (i) at which there is already installed—
 - (aa) a hydronic heat pump; or
 - (bb) an electric storage heater or an electric heating system that in either case has a responsiveness rating equal to, or greater than, 0.8 when assessed against the Standard Assessment Procedure; or
 - (ii) at which there is installed as part of the same ECO4 project as the measure—
 - (aa) a hydronic heat pump;
 - (bb) an electric storage heater, that meets the requirements of sub-paragraph (e) (i) and (ii); or
 - (cc) an electric heating system, that meets the requirements of sub-paragraph (f) (i) and (ii);
- (j) where the measure is the installation of equipment for the generation of heat wholly or partly from biomass, the measure—
- (i) is installed at premises which are in a rural area; and
 - (ii) generates heat from biomass which is wholly woodfuel; and
- (k) where the measure is the replacement of an efficient boiler with another efficient boiler, the boiler being replaced is broken down and is not economically repairable.

(2) In paragraph (1)—

“hydraulic balancing” means the carrying out of steps to ensure the temperature difference is the same between the inlet and outlet of each radiator, or other heat emitter, in a heating system;

“mains gas” means a supply of the kind mentioned in section 5(1)(b) of the Gas Act 1986⁽¹⁾;

“woodfuel” has the same meaning as in paragraph 6 of Schedule 4A to the Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2018⁽²⁾.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in art. 27(1)(d) omitted (14.8.2023) by virtue of [The Electricity and Gas \(Energy Company Obligation\) Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/873\)](#), arts. 1(3), **43(a)** (with art. 50)
- F2** Art. 27(1)(e)(f) substituted (14.8.2023) by [The Electricity and Gas \(Energy Company Obligation\) Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/873\)](#), arts. 1(3), **43(b)** (with art. 50)
- F3** Words in art. 27(1)(i) substituted (14.8.2023) by [The Electricity and Gas \(Energy Company Obligation\) Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/873\)](#), arts. 1(3), **43(c)** (with art. 50)
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Commencement Information

- I1** Art. 27 in force at 27.7.2022, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

(1) Section 5 was substituted by section 3(1) of the Gas Act 1995 (c. 45). Relevant amendments were made by section 108 of, and Schedule 2 to, the Utilities Act 2000 and S.I. 2012/2400.

(2) S.I. 2018/611, amended by S.I. 2021/76. There are other amending instruments, but none is relevant.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Electricity and Gas (Energy Company Obligation) Order 2022, Section 27.