



Guide to Registration – Domestic Installer Scheme

INFORMATION SHEET 2

THE REQUIREMENTS

The main requirements of the scheme are:

Demonstrate competence at two completed installations

An assessment visit is used to assess the competence of the proposed Qualified Supervisor in domestic electrical installations.

There are three components to the assessment:

- For the two installations, the design is appropriate and they are competently installed in accordance with BS 7671: 2008.
- The proposed Qualified Supervisor can demonstrate the ability to inspect and test domestic electrical installation work. Appropriate test instruments will be essential for this.
- A check to confirm that other appropriate parts of the Building Regulations are being adhered to.

The assessment visit is described in more detail in Section 3.

Issue Electrical Installation/Minor Works Certificates

A requirement of BS 7671 is that appropriate certification is provided for all electrical installation work carried out.

Proposed Qualified Supervisor qualifications

For those businesses applying for registration, it is a requirement that the proposed Qualified Supervisor satisfies the training requirements for registration. The minimum technical qualification required is City and Guilds 2382 level or equivalent - refer to information sheet 4 regarding conditional registration.

Acceptable alternatives for the NICEIC scheme are:

- NICEIC Domestic Installers Scheme Qualification (17th Edition);
- VRQ Level 2 Certificate for Domestic Electrical Installers; (17th Edition).
- City and Guilds 2382 (17th Edition) Certificate;
- NVQ/SVQ Level 3 in Electrical Installation Work awarded in 2009 or later;
- SCOTVEC National Certificate in Electrical installation; (awarded 2009 onwards).
- City and Guilds 2330 Level 3; (awarded 2009 onwards).
- City and Guilds 2350 (all modules); (awarded 2009 onwards).



Information relating to the Proposed Qualified Supervisor/Responsible Supervisor's qualifications.

Currently, the Government has relaxed the requirement for the proposed Qualified Supervisor to hold the technical qualification before registration is granted to the business.

Where none of the above qualifications are held by the proposed Qualified Supervisor, your business can be registered provided the proposed Qualified Supervisor obtains a qualification within 12 months of registration. However, NICEIC believes that without a relevant qualification it is unlikely the proposed Qualified Supervisor will be able to demonstrate the required level of competence at the assessment visit.

There is no requirement for the proposed Qualified Supervisor to hold a formal qualification in inspection and testing as the assessment process will check that the person has adequate knowledge and understanding of BS 7671, relevant to domestic electrical installation work. This includes inspection, testing, verification and certification.

If the proposed Qualified Supervisor does not satisfy the training requirements, or regularly inspect, test or certify work, or feel confident about inspection, testing or certification, please read the NICEIC Training leaflet which provides full details of the course options.

Public liability insurance

The business must have at least £2 million public liability insurance and provide evidence to NICEIC Head Office prior to registration. This is not the same as employer's liability insurance. For those with insufficient public liability insurance, NICEIC Insurance Services can be contacted for advice on insurance at a competitive rate.

Warranty

The Government has introduced a requirement for all installers, registered under self-certification schemes, to provide clients with a warranty for completed work. This applies to installers regardless of the scheme they register under and is a legal requirement.

Other requirements for registration

The business must also:

- Be directly engaged in domestic electrical installation work and have experience of completing this type of work for 12 months.
- Make available for inspection sufficient completed electrical installation work across the range normally undertaken. The work must have been carried out during the previous 12 months.
- Employ people who are competent and/or adequately supervised to carry out all domestic installation work.
- Hold the latest edition of each of the following reference documents: BS 7671 Requirement for Electrical Installations (IEE wiring regulations) – (Full Scope only). IEE On-site Guide – (Defined Competence only). Memorandum of Guidance on the Electricity at Work Regulations 1989. Approved Document P.

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