

Livein Works

Your electrical safety check



We arrange electrical safety checks to make sure your home is safe. We have a legal duty under the Electrical Safety Standards in the Private Rented Sector (England) (Amendment) (Extension to the Social Rented Sector) Regulations 2025 to carry out these checks at least once every five years.

Now you know your home is required to have an electrical safety check here's what happens next:

1.

We will arrange an appointment with you. On the day, a qualified electrician will arrive at your home and show their ID.



2.

The electrician will carry out important safety checks in your home, including your fuse box and main electrical connections.



3.

They will also check fixtures and fittings, and the condition of any visible wires and cables.



4.

If any repairs are needed, we will carry these out during the visit where possible, or arrange another appointment if required.



Your electrical safety check usually takes around two hours.

If you need support, or if you or someone else in the household has any vulnerabilities, please get in touch with us.

Common things to remember

- ✓ **Do buy reputable electrical goods**
Cheaper, 'unofficial' electrical products may not meet safety regulations, increasing the risk of a fire.
- ✓ **Do allow electrical inspections to take place**
Regular checks are the best way to be sure that electrical installations are safe, and to spot potential problems before its too late.
- ✓ **Do report warning signs**
These include scorch marks, frayed cables, flickering lights or fuses that blow regularly.
- ✓ **Do check fire and smoke alarms**
We recommend doing this every month.
- ✗ **Don't do it yourself!**
DIY wiring can lead to electrical parts overheating, causing fires, shocks and death.
- ✗ **Don't overload sockets**
Plugging too many devices into one socket and over-using extension leads can lead to overheating and fires.
- ✗ **Standby off, Safety On**
Switch off and unplug non-essential electrics before you go to bed or on holiday. Appliances left on standby can cause fires and waste energy.

You may think its not necessary to carry out checks but did you know?

1,866

Fires are caused by faulty appliances or leads.

6,179

Fires are caused by misuse of equipment or appliances.

Home office statistics for 2024/25

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