

Keeping your boiler cleaner is greener

Many overlook what is probably one of the most sensible and important domestic energy saving measures – an annual gas boiler service, says gas-elec the national safety inspection company. An annual boiler service* not only makes sense from a safety point of view, it can help reduce your carbon footprint. By keeping your central heating working at its peak efficiency, you can drive down gas consumption year on year, by maybe as much as 20 to 30%, depending on the age of your boiler.

Failure to do this will certainly increase consumption and running costs and decrease the system's life. It also puts not only your property but your family at risk from carbon monoxide poisoning and gas leaks. Every year about 30 people die from CO poisoning caused by gas appliances and flues which have not been properly installed or maintained**.

gas-elec is the independent gas and electrical safety testing organisation which carries out over 100,000 impartial safety inspections on properties throughout the UK every year. Its locally-based inspectors daily encounter horror stories of boilers and gas systems that have been neglected and allowed to fall into an inefficient or dangerous condition.

If you had a car that hadn't been serviced for 10 years, and was left unused for 6 months of the year, would you expect it to run at all, let alone run economically and safely, asks gas-elec? We have MOTs on our cars, it makes economic and environmental sense to have them on the gas installations in our homes.

For more information call gas-elec on 0800 587 9999, or visit www.gas-elec.co.uk.

*Any work or service carried out on domestic gas installations must be carried out by a Corgi registered engineer.

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