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Introduction to PAS 2030

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Overview

The PAS 2030:2023 (Publicly Available Specification) ensures high quality, compliant installation of energy efficiency measures in existing homes. Its aim is to ensure that retrofit activity delivered in UK homes delvers the sustainability performance outcomes that the works should provide.

Energy efficiency installers delivering large scale retrofit works will benefit from being certified to and maintaining compliance with PAS 2030 for each of the energy efficiency measures that they wish to install.

PAS 2030 guidance outlines the requirements for competence, technical ability, and overall quality requirements that all installers must follow to meet the necessary standards and maintain quality of works. It should be used in complementarity with PAS 2035 to enable lodgement into the Trustmark data warehouse and compliance with grant funding conditions.

PAS 2030 certification can be gained by installers of retrofit measures and is required on a measure-by-measure basis, meaning a contractor can hold certifications for a single measure in isolation or a suite of measures.

What are the benefits of being PAS 2030 certified?

Key benefits of PAS 2030 certification include:

- Gaining certification demonstrates to your customers that your organisation has the required level of technical expertise necessary to install energy efficiency measures. This enables organisations access to a large area of work as the UK upgrades homes to net zero by 2050.
- Increased technical understanding within your organisation on best practice technical guidance.
- Demonstrating compliance and an ability to deliver to an industry-recognised Quality Management System (QMS).
- Ability to lodge projects within the Trustmark date warehouse, which provides confidence to your customers.

How do you gain certification?

To gain certification to PAS 2030 you must be accredited through one of the authorised certification bodies for each measure that you plan to install. Each certification body have a different process to follow and guidance information on the schemes and link to their requirements can be found on the TrustMark website.

It should be noted that some measures can only be accredited by certain schemes, such as doors and windows that can only be certified by FENSA.

If your organisation is already operating within domestic renovation works, it is likely that you will hold some if not all these qualifications already.

What will you need to evidence?

To apply for PAS 2030 certification, you will need to evidence the following:

- An appropriate QMS to cover your role in retrofit works.
- Suitable contracts where you can evidence capability, understanding and compliance, including documents and records of historic works.
- Registration with Trustmark
- Evidence of continual improvement of processes, services, and performance, as well as CPD for your team.
- An appropriate health and safety policy statement.
- Appropriate customer engagement and handover procedures.

What are the barriers?

Potential barriers for PAS 2030 certification include the following:

- The need to gain certification for measures with different bodies can be time consuming. However, the results enable access to larger pools of work.
- Cost of investment in gaining certification can be a challenge, especially for SMEs.
- You may need to train your teams with additional qualifications to enable them to comply with requirements of PAS 2030. For examples, HNDs required to install external wall insulation.
- The complex certification landscape means that your choice of certification scheme should be carefully considered.

Useful links

You can view TrustMark's Data Warehouse here.

You can download a free copy of PAS 2030 here.

You can view PAS 2030 certification bodies here.