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ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING DWELLINGS

Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems - Scottish Gas

Applicable to Domestic Buildings only in relation to

Section 2: Fire

Clause 2.11.1: Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems

BACKGROUND

All authorities within Scotland will likely receive applications from Scottish Gas, some under the STAS⁽¹⁾ type approval scheme, for installation of single smoke detectors and alarms to properties that are otherwise being unaltered in layout. These alarms/detectors are fitted as part of boiler replacement / installation projects. The works are an improvement to the dwelling and although there is no remit to request full compliance under the guidance the choice of detector, siting of the detector and power supply should be considered.

DECISION

LABSS considers that where smoke detection and alarm systems are installed within unaltered dwellings the installation is accepted as being an improvement. However the choice of detector (2.11.2), the siting of the fire detector (2.11.7 – excluding audibility) and power supply (2.11.9 - including stand-by supply) should comply with the guidance.

Acronyms

⁽¹⁾STAS is the Scottish Type Approval Scheme.