
QUALITY, SAFETY & COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT

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Via WhatDoTheyKnow.com

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Dear Mr Evans,

I am writing in response to your email dated 31st July 2014 (received in this office 1st August 2014) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding air conditioning.

Q1 This request follows legal and mandatory legislation under the European Performance of Buildings Directive and specifically T.M44 Air Conditioning Assessment certification. Your Air Conditioning Assessment Certificates should be readily available at all times and be lodged on the government Landmark database. Failure to have appropriate Certificates will be subject to fines of £300 per building, each week.

It is a legal requirement that you hold valid Air Conditioning Assessments if any building has a total of more than 12kw of air conditioning present. Certificates are valid from 5 years of the issue date. Have you undertaken a T.M44 Air Conditioning Assessment?

A1 Yes

Q2 Who is the responsible person for ensuring that your buildings are surveyed and assessed, please provide the name, address, email address and telephone number of the responsible person.

A2 Charlie Cox, UHNS, City General Hospital.
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Q3 If your T.M44 Certificates are in place, what is their expiry date?

A3 December 2015

Q4 What was the order value of the works placed with the Company which undertook the work?

A4 £4975

Q5 Provide a breakdown of the price per building if available.

A5 n/a

Q6 How many Certificates were produced?

A6 20

Q7 Was the Assessor independent as required under the Regulations?

A7 Yes

Q8 Name the Assessor organisation.

A8 CIBSE

Q9 Do you have ISO 14001 Accreditation?

A9 No

This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

The Trust welcomes feedback and continually strives to provide the best service. If you wish to make any comments about the FOI process at the Trust please return the attached questionnaire.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,

Helen Grocott
Information Governance Manager