

PERIODIC INSPECTION REPORT FOR AN ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

Issued in accordance with *British Standard 7671 – Requirements for Electrical Installations* by an Approved Contractor or Conforming Body enrolled with NICEIC, Warwick House, Houghton Hall Park, Houghton Regis, Dunstable LU5 5ZX

A. DETAILS OF THE CLIENT

Client: Address:

B. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT This Periodic Inspection Report must be used only for reporting on the condition of an existing installation.

Purpose for which this report is required:

C. DETAILS OF THE INSTALLATION

	Domestic	Commercial	Industrial
Occupier: <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Address: <input type="text"/>	Description of premises: <input type="text"/>		
	Other: (Please state) <input type="text"/>		
	Estimated age of the electrical installation: <input type="text"/> years		
Postcode: <input type="text"/>	Evidence of alterations or additions: <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, estimated age: <input type="text"/> years	
Date of previous inspection: <input type="text"/>	Electrical Installation Certificate No or previous Periodic Inspection Report No: <input type="text"/>		
Records of installation available: <input type="checkbox"/>	Records held by: <input type="text"/>		

D. EXTENT OF THE INSTALLATION AND LIMITATIONS OF THE INSPECTION AND TESTING

Extent of the electrical installation covered by this report:

Agreed limitations, if any, on the inspection and testing:

This inspection has been carried out in accordance with BS 7671, as amended. Cables concealed within trunking and conduits, or cables and conduits concealed under floors, in inaccessible roof spaces and generally within the fabric of the building or underground, have not been visually inspected.

E. DECLARATION

I/We, being the person(s) responsible for the inspection and testing of the electrical installation (as indicated by my/our signatures below), particulars of which are described above (see C), having exercised reasonable skill and care when carrying out the inspection and testing, hereby declare that the information in this report, including the observations (see F) and the attached schedules (see H), provides an accurate assessment of the condition of the electrical installation taking into account the stated extent of the installation and the limitations of the inspection and testing (see D).

I/We further declare that in my/our judgement, the said installation was overall in condition (see G) at the time the inspection was carried out, and that it should be further inspected as recommended (see I).

✳ (Insert 'a satisfactory' or 'an unsatisfactory', as appropriate)

INSPECTION, TESTING AND ASSESSMENT BY:	REPORT REVIEWED AND CONFIRMED BY: † See note below
Signature: <input type="text"/>	Signature: <input type="text"/>
Name: (CAPITALS) <input type="text"/>	Name: (CAPITALS) <input type="text"/>
Position: <input type="text"/>	(Registered Qualified Supervisor for the Approved Contractor at J)
Date: <input type="text"/>	Date: <input type="text"/>

† This Periodic Inspection Report should be reviewed and confirmed by the registered Qualified Supervisor for the Approved Contractor responsible for issuing the Report.

**THIS PERIODIC INSPECTION REPORT IS AN IMPORTANT AND VALUABLE DOCUMENT
WHICH SHOULD BE RETAINED FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

The purpose of periodic inspection is to determine, so far as is reasonably practicable, whether an electrical installation is in a satisfactory condition for continued service. This report provides an assessment of the condition of the electrical installation identified overleaf at the time it was inspected, taking into account the stated extent of the installation and the limitations of the inspection and testing.

The report has been issued in accordance with the national standard for the safety of electrical installations, British Standard 7671 (as amended) - *Requirements for Electrical Installations* (formerly known as the IEE Wiring Regulations).

Where the installation incorporates a residual current device (RCD), there should be a notice at or near the main switchboard or consumer unit stating that the device should be tested at quarterly intervals. For safety reasons, it is important that you carry out the test regularly.

Also for safety reasons, the electrical installation will need to be re-inspected at appropriate intervals by a competent person. The recommended maximum time interval to the next inspection is stated on page 3 in Section I (*Next Inspection*). NICEIC* recommends that you engage the services of an Approved Contractor for this purpose. There should be a notice at or near the main switchboard or consumer unit indicating when the next inspection of the installation is due.

Only an NICEIC Approved Contractor or Conforming Body is authorised to issue this NICEIC Periodic Inspection Report form.

The report consists of at least six numbered pages. The report is invalid if any of the pages identified in Section H are missing. The report has a printed seven-digit serial number, which is traceable to the Approved Contractor to which it was supplied by NICEIC.

For installations having more than one distribution board or more circuits than can be recorded on Pages 5 and 6, one or more additional *Schedules of Circuit Details for the Installation*, and *Schedules of Test Results for the Installation* (pages 7 and 8 onwards) should form part of the report.

This report is intended to be issued only for the purpose of reporting on the condition of an existing electrical installation. The report should identify, so far as is reasonably practicable and having regard to the extent and limitations recorded in Section D, any damage, deterioration, defects, dangerous conditions and any non-compliances with the requirements of the national standard for the safety of electrical installations which may give rise to danger. It should be noted that the greater the limitations applying to a report, the less its value.

The report should not have been issued to certify that a new electrical installation complies with the requirements of the national safety standard. An 'Electrical Installation Certificate' or a 'Domestic Electrical Installation Certificate' (where appropriate) should be issued for the certification of a new installation.

This report should not have been issued for electrical work in a potentially explosive atmosphere (hazardous area) unless the Approved Contractor holds an appropriate extension to NICEIC enrolment for such work.

You should have received the report marked 'Original' and the Approved Contractor should have retained the report marked 'Duplicate'.

If you were the person ordering the work, but not the user of the installation, you should pass this report, or a full copy of it including these notes, the schedules and additional pages (if any), immediately to the user.

The 'Original' report form should be retained in a safe place and shown to any person inspecting or undertaking further work on the electrical installation in the future. If you later vacate the property, this report will provide the new user with an assessment of the condition of the electrical installation at the time the periodic inspection was carried out.

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For further information about electrical safety and how NICEIC can help you, visit www.niceic.com

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F. OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

Referring to the attached schedules of inspection and test results, and subject to the limitations at D:

There are no items adversely affecting electrical safety.

or

The following observations and recommendations are made.

Item No

Code †

1

SPECIMEN

Note: If necessary, continue on additional pages(s), which must be identified by the Periodic Inspection Report serial number and page number(s).

† Where observations are made, the inspector will have entered one of the following codes against each observation to indicate the action (if any) recommended:-

- 1. 'requires urgent attention' or
- 2. 'requires improvement' or
- 3. 'requires further investigation' or
- 4. 'does not comply with BS 7671:'

Please see the reverse of this page for guidance regarding the recommendations.

Urgent remedial work recommended for Items:

Corrective action(s) recommended for Items:

G. SUMMARY OF THE INSPECTION

General condition of the installation:

Note: If necessary, continue on additional page(s), which must be identified by the Periodic Inspection Report serial number and page number(s).

Date(s) of the inspection:

Overall assessment of the installation:

(Entry should read either 'Satisfactory' or 'Unsatisfactory')

GUIDANCE FOR RECIPIENTS ON THE RECOMMENDATION CODES

Only one Recommendation Code should have been given for each recorded observation.

Recommendation Code 1

Where an observation has been given a Recommendation Code 1 (requires urgent attention), the safety of those using the installation may be at risk.

The person responsible for the maintenance of the installation is advised to take action without delay to remedy the observed deficiency in the installation, or to take other appropriate action (such as switching off and isolating the affected part(s) of the installation) to remove the potential danger. The NICEIC Approved Contractor issuing this report will be able to provide further advice.

It is important to note that the recommendation given at Section I *Next Inspection* of this report for the maximum interval until the next inspection, is conditional upon all items which have been given a Recommendation Code 1 being remedied without delay.

Recommendation Code 2

Recommendation Code 2 (requires improvement) indicates that, whilst the safety of those using the installation may not be at immediate risk, remedial action should be taken as soon as possible to improve the safety of the installation to the level provided by the national standard for the safety of electrical installations, BS 7671. The NICEIC Approved Contractor issuing this report will be able to provide further advice.

Items which have been attributed Recommendation Code 2 should be remedied as soon as possible (see Section F).

Recommendation Code 3

Where an observation has been given a Recommendation Code 3 (requires further investigation), the inspection has revealed an apparent deficiency which could not, due to the extent or limitations of this inspection, be fully identified. Items which have been attributed Recommendation Code 3 should be investigated as soon as possible (see Section F).

The person responsible for the maintenance of the installation is advised to arrange for the NICEIC Approved Contractor issuing this report (or other competent person) to undertake further examination of the installation to determine the nature and extent of the apparent deficiency.

Recommendation Code 4

Recommendation Code 4 [does not comply with BS 7671: (as amended)] will have been given to observed non-compliance(s) with the **current** safety standard which do not warrant one of the other Recommendation Codes. It is not intended to imply that the electrical installation inspected is unsafe, but careful consideration should be given to the benefits of improving these aspects of the installation. The NICEIC Approved Contractor issuing this report will be able to provide further advice.

H. SCHEDULES AND ADDITIONAL PAGES

Schedule of Items Inspected and Schedules of Items Tested: Page No 4 Additional pages, including additional source(s) data sheets: Page No(s)

Schedule of Circuit Details for the Installation: Page No(s) 5 Schedule of Test Results for the Installation: Page No(s) 6

The pages identified here form an essential part of this report. The report is valid only if accompanied by all the schedules and additional pages identified above.

I. NEXT INSPECTION

I/We recommend that this installation is further inspected and tested after an interval of not more than (Enter interval in terms of years, months or weeks, as appropriate)

provided that any items at F which have been attributed a Recommendation Code 1 (requires urgent attention) are remedied without delay. Items which have been attributed a Recommendation Code 2 or 3 should be actioned as soon as practicable (see F).

J. DETAILS OF NICEIC APPROVED CONTRACTOR

Trading Title:

Address:

Telephone number:

Fax number:

Enrolment number: (Essential information)

Branch number: (if applicable)

Postcode:

K. SUPPLY CHARACTERISTICS AND EARTHING ARRANGEMENTS

Tick boxes and enter details, as appropriate

System Type(s)	Number and Type of Live Conductors			Nature of Supply Parameters			Characteristics of Primary Supply Overcurrent Protective Device(s)	
TN-S	<input type="checkbox"/>	a.c.	d.c.	Nominal voltage(s), U ⁽¹⁾	V	U ₀ ⁽¹⁾	V	BS(EN)
TN-CS	<input type="checkbox"/>	1-phase (2 wire)	1-phase (3 wire)	Nominal frequency, f ⁽¹⁾	Hz	Notes: (1) by enquiry		Type
TN-C	<input type="checkbox"/>	2-phase (3 wire)	3-pole	Prospective fault current, I _{pf} ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	kA	(2) by enquiry or by measurement		Nominal current rating
TT	<input type="checkbox"/>	3-phase (3 wire)	3-phase (4 wire)	External earth loop impedance, Z _e ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Ω	(3) where more than one supply, record the higher or highest values		A
IT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	Please state	Number of supplies		(4) by measurement		Short-circuit capacity
								kA

L. PARTICULARS OF INSTALLATION AT THE ORIGIN

Tick boxes and enter details, as appropriate

Means of Earthing		Details of Installation Earth Electrode (where applicable)			
Supplier's facility:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Type: (eg rod(s), tape etc)	<input type="text"/>	Location:	<input type="text"/>
Installation earth electrode:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrode resistance, R _A :	(Ω)	Method of measurement:	<input type="text"/>
Main Switch or Circuit-Breaker		Maximum Demand (Load):	A per phase	Method of Protection against Indirect Contact:	
* (applicable only where an RCD is suitable and is used as a main circuit-breaker)					
Type: BS(EN)	<input type="text"/>	Voltage rating	V	Main Protective Conductors	
No of Poles	<input type="text"/>	Current rating, I _n	A	Earthing conductor	Main equipotential bonding conductors
Supply conductors: material	<input type="text"/>	RCD operating current, I _{Δn} *	mA	Conductor material	Conductor material
Supply conductors: csa	<input type="text"/>	RCD operating time (at I _{Δn})*	ms	Conductor csa	Conductor csa
	mm ²			Continuity check	Continuity check
				(✓)	(✓)
				Bonding of extraneous-conductive-parts (✓)	
				Water service	Gas service
				Oil service	Structural steel
				Lightning protection	Other incoming service(s)

* Where a number of sources are available to supply the installation, and where the data given for the primary source may differ from other sources, a separate sheet must be provided which identifies the relevant information relating to each additional source.

NOTES FOR RECIPIENTS (continued from the reverse of page 1)

Section D addresses the extent and limitations of the report by providing boxes for the *Extent of the electrical installation covered by this report* and the *Agreed limitations, if any, on the inspection and testing*. Information given here should fully identify the scope of the inspection and testing and of the report. The Approved Contractor should have agreed all such aspects with the person ordering the work and other interested parties (eg licensing authority, insurance company, building society etc) before the inspection was carried out.

A declaration of the overall condition of the installation should have been given by the inspector in Section E of the report. The declaration must reflect that given in Section G, which summarises the observations and recommendations made in Section F. A list of observations and recommendations for urgent remedial work and corrective action(s) necessary to maintain the installation in a safe working order should have been given in Section F, where appropriate. For further guidance on the recommendations, please see the reverse of page 2.

Where the installation can be supplied by more than one source, such as the public supply and a standby generator, the number of supplies should have been recorded in the box entitled *Number of Supplies*, in Section K *Supply Characteristics and Earthing Arrangements* on page 3 of the report, and the *Schedule of Test Results* compiled accordingly.

Should the person ordering the periodic inspection (eg the client, as identified on Page 1 of this certificate), have reason to believe that the report issued by the Approved Contractor does not reasonably reflect the condition of the electrical installation reported on, the person should in the first instance raise the specific concerns in writing with the Approved Contractor. If the concerns remain unresolved, the client may make a formal complaint to NICEIC, for which purpose a standard complaint form is available on request.

The complaints procedure offered by NICEIC is subject to certain terms and conditions, full details of which are available upon application. NICEIC does not investigate complaints relating to the operational performance of electrical installations (such as lighting levels), or to contractual or commercial issues (such as time or cost).

SPECIAL

SCHEDULE OF ITEMS INSPECTED

† See note below

Methods of protection against electric shock

- a. Protection against both direct and indirect contact:
 - (i) SELV
 - (ii) Limitation of discharge of energy
- b. Protection against direct contact:
 - (i) Insulation of live parts
 - (ii) Barriers or enclosures
 - (iii) Obstacles
 - (iv) Placing out of reach
 - (v) PELV
 - (vi) Presence of RCD for supplementary protection
- c. Protection against indirect contact:
 - (i) EEBAD including:
 - Presence of earthing conductor
 - Presence of circuit protective conductors
 - Presence of main equipotential bonding conductors
 - Presence of supplementary equipotential bonding conductors
 - Presence of earthing arrangements for combined protective and functional purposes
 - Presence of adequate arrangements for alternative source(s), where applicable
 - Presence of residual current device(s)
 - (ii) Use of Class II equipment or equivalent insulation
 - (iii) Non-conducting location:
 - Absence of protective conductors
 - (iv) Earth-free equipotential bonding:
 - Presence of earth-free equipotential bonding conductors
 - (v) Electrical separation

Prevention of mutual detrimental influence

- a. Proximity of non-electrical services and other influences
- b. Segregation of Band I and Band II circuits or Band II insulation used
- c. Segregation of safety circuits

Identification

- Presence of diagrams, instructions, circuit charts and similar information
- Presence of danger notices and other warning notices
- Labelling of protective devices, switches and terminals
- Identification of conductors

Cables and Conductors

- Routing of cables in prescribed zones or within mechanical protection
- Connection of conductors
- Erection methods
- Selection of conductors for current carrying capacity and voltage drop
- Presence of fire barriers, suitable seals and protection against thermal effects

General

- Presence and correct location of appropriate devices for isolation and switching
- Adequacy of access to switchgear and other equipment
- Particular protective measures for special installations and locations
- Connection of single-pole devices for protection or switching in phase conductors only
- Correct connection of accessories and equipment
- Presence of undervoltage protective devices
- Choice and setting of protective and monitoring devices (for protection against indirect contact and/or overcurrent)
- Selection of equipment and protective measures appropriate to external influences
- Selection of appropriate functional switching devices

SCHEDULE OF ITEMS TESTED

† See note below

- | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | External earth fault loop impedance, Z_e | <input type="checkbox"/> | Protection by separation of circuits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Installation earth electrode resistance, R_A | <input type="checkbox"/> | Protection against direct contact by barrier or enclosure provided during erection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Continuity of protective conductors | <input type="checkbox"/> | Insulation of non-conducting floors or walls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Continuity of ring final circuit conductors | <input type="checkbox"/> | Polarity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Insulation resistance between live conductors | <input type="checkbox"/> | Earth fault loop impedance, Z_s |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Insulation resistance between live conductors and earth | <input type="checkbox"/> | Operation of residual current devices |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Site applied insulation | <input type="checkbox"/> | Functional testing of assemblies |

† All boxes must be completed.

- ✓ indicates that an inspection or a test was carried out and that the result was **satisfactory**
- ✗ indicates that an inspection or a test was carried out and that the result was **unsatisfactory**
- N/A indicates that an inspection or a test was **not applicable** to the particular installation
- LIM indicates that, that exceptionally, a **limitation** agreed with the person ordering the work (as recorded in Section D) **prevented** the inspection or test being carried out.

