

# GreenSquareAccord is supporting Gas Safety Week 2021



It's Gas Safety Week 2021 (13 - 19 September 2021) and GreenSquareAccord is supporting the campaign to help raise awareness about the importance of gas safety.

As we celebrate the 11th year of Gas Safety Week, organisations from across the UK are working together to raise awareness of the dangers of poorly maintained gas appliances, which can cause gas leaks, fires, explosions and carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

This year, Gas Safety Week is addressing a whole range of gas safety matters for gas users across the country - from advice about how to stay gas safe, to raising awareness of using a registered engineer who is legally qualified, to ensure consumers don't suffer from the effects of illegal gas work through lack of awareness.

Paul O'Driscoll, Gas Operations Manager at GreenSquareAccord, said: "Without regular checks your gas appliances may not work as expected, which could increase your fuel bills or put you and those around you at risk from carbon monoxide poisoning, gas leaks, fires and explosions.

"To keep you safe in your home we have a legal responsibility as your landlord to arrange for a Gas Safe registered engineer to carry out at least one gas safety visit to your home each year. These checks must be carried out by law, so please help us to keep everyone safe by booking and keeping your safety check appointments and allowing safe access to your home."

Jonathan Samuel, chief executive for Gas Safe Register, said: "It's great to see so many people supporting Gas Safety Week this year to help share important and, in some cases, lifesaving advice about gas safety. The last year or so has taught us the vital importance of helping and supporting those in our communities. Ensuring people always use a suitably qualified Gas Safe registered engineer to work on gas appliances in their homes is a great way to show how we can work together to stay gas safe."

For more information about gas safety checks visit: <https://bit.ly/3xQGD18>

To keep you and your family safe, follow Gas Safe Register's top tips:

- Know the symptoms of CO poisoning; headaches, nausea, breathlessness, collapse, dizziness and loss of consciousness.
- If you smell gas or think there might be a gas leak, call the free 24-hour national gas emergency number immediately on 0800 111 999.
- Never attempt to work on a gas appliance yourself, always seek the help of a qualified Gas Safe registered engineer who can work on your gas cooker, boiler or fire in a safe way.
- Don't cut corners - only employ a suitably qualified Gas Safe registered engineer when having gas work carried out in your home.
- Always ask to see your engineer's Gas Safe ID card. Make sure you check the back of the card, which will state which gas appliances they are qualified to work on.
- Gas Safe Register is the official register for legally qualified engineers. You can find a registered engineer in your area by visiting the Gas Safe Register website at

[GasSafeRegister.co.uk](https://www.gasregister.co.uk)

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