Warmer Homes for Devon Tenants | Advice for private rental properties across Devon

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) Rules Are Changing - We Can Help

Support for Landlords

What's Changing?

Current Law:
A minimum EPC rating of E is needed to let a property.

From October 2030:
All rental properties will need to reach EPC C, or have a valid exemption in place.

This applies to both new and existing tenancies.

Why start now?

- Many rented homes are currently below EPC C - so you're not alone.
- The way EPCs are assessed is changing. From October 2029, the new **Home Energy Model methodology** will be used, which may affect what is needed to reach the required standard.
- The good news is that EPCs last 10 years, and the current system can still be used until October 2029.

Starting early gives you more time to plan, budget and make improvements.

Simple Steps to Get Started

- **Check your property's current EPC rating:**
  - EPC D - Some improvement needed
  - EPC E, F, G - We'd recommend getting in touch soon
- **Get in touch with us** - We'll talk through your options and what might work best for your property.
- **Plan your budget** - You won't be expected to spend more than £10,000 on improvements. If EPC C isn't achievable within that, you can apply for an exemption and eligible spend from October 2025 can count towards this.
- **Keep records as you go** - Hold on to evidence of any improvements made & consider registering for an exemption if needed.

Advice Available

Our friendly local advisors are here to help you understand your options and plan ahead.

- Clear guidance on reaching EPC C
- Tailored recommendations for your property
- Information about funding opportunities & grants that could help reduce upgrade costs

We may also be able to offer you further, paid for support, or signpost you to other organisations who can do this.

Request advice from Warmer Homes for Devon Tenants with our online form. One of our advisers will be in touch.

Useful web links

- **Check your EPC**
  gov.uk/find-energy-certificate
- **Landlord EPC Guidance**
  gov.uk/mees-landlord-guidance
- **Energy Efficiency Improvements**
  gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency
- **Find Accredited Installers**
  trustmark.org.uk

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