

New risk classification: **Danger Do Not Use**

A major change to the Gas Industry Unsafe Situations Procedure comes into effect this month. The single message of Danger Do Not Use helps your customers understand when appliances must not be used. Gas Safe Register is inspecting to Edition 7.1 of the procedure, with effect from now – 1 July 2016.

If you come across an installation that is either At Risk or Immediately Dangerous, the message that you must give your customer is the same:
Danger Do Not Use



The Not to Current Standards (NCS) category has been removed from the procedure because, by definition, these situations are not unsafe.

As a registered business, you may still record NCS situations, but this no longer forms part of the official Unsafe Situations Procedure.

Note:
NCS installations are NOT At Risk.

The single safety message sends a clear warning to the gas user/responsible person that the appliance/installation is unsafe. It provides a means for engineers to fulfil the requirements under the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998 to notify responsible persons and owners of premises/appliances of gas safety defects and dangers.

The actions for the gas engineer remain unchanged: that is to seek permission to turn off for both AR and ID situations and, additionally, for ID situations to call the Emergency Service Provider (ESP), or gas supplier for LPG, if permission to disconnect is not given.

Attach a **Danger Do Not Use** warning label to the appliance/installation in a prominent position. Ask the responsible person to sign the Warning Notice, giving one to them and keeping one for your records.

GIUSP provides extensive guidance on identifying unsafe gas situations, but it is impossible to cover each and every situation. Where the situation is not specifically covered in GIUSP, a risk classification process should be applied, using your own professional judgement of each situation on its own merits to identify the appropriate category.

Edition 7.1 of GIUSP is now available. You can download GIUSP free by logging into your online account at www.gassaferegister.co.uk/sign-in/

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