

## **FREE REPORT**

### **The Low Voltage Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 1994**

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**AFTER THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 1997 ALL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT  
THAT IS SUPPLIED AS PART OF FURNISHED ACCOMODATION  
MUST COMPLY WITH THE 1994 REGULATIONS**

The 1994 Regulations apply to all Electrical Equipment that is designed or adapted for use between 50 and 1000 volts (in the case of alternating current) or 75 and 1500 volts (in the case of direct current). The regulation covers electrical wiring, plugs, sockets and domestic electrical equipment.

Example; Washing Machine, Fridge, Vacuum Cleaner, Kettle, Microwave, Oven, Television, Hot Water Heater, Electric Heaters and garden equipment, such as Lawn Mowers and Hedge trimmers. (This list is not exhaustive).

A further responsibility is that where the safe use of such equipment requires appropriate instructions, then these instructions must also be supplied to the tenant/user.

The regulation provides that only electrical equipment which does not jeopardise the safety of people, domestic animals and property may be used.

A suitably qualified Electrician must test all Electrical Equipment at yearly intervals to ensure that they do comply with the Regulations.

A copy of the inspection report should be kept on file for future reference.

It is an offence to supply Electrical Equipment which does not comply with the requirements of the 1994 Regulations. A person guilty of an offence under these Regulations shall be liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term of not exceeding six months, or to a fine not exceeding level5 on the standard scale, OR BOTH.

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