

Recommended Initial Frequencies of Inspection of Electrical Installations

| Type of installation | Routine check* | Maximum period between inspections and testing as necessary | Reference (see notes below) |
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| <i>General installations</i> | | | |
| Domestic | | Change of occupancy/10 years | |
| Commercial | 1 year | Change of occupancy/5 years | 1, 2 |
| Educational establishments | 4 months | 5 years | 1, 2 |
| Hospitals | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2 |
| Industrial | 1 year | 3 years | 1, 2 |
| Residential accommodation | at change of occupancy/1 year | 5 years | 1 |
| Offices | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2 |
| Shops | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2 |
| Laboratories | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2 |
| <i>Buildings open to the public</i> | | | |
| Cinemas | 1 year | 3 years | 2, 6, 7 |
| Church installations | 1 year | 5 years | 2 |
| Leisure complexes excluding swimming pools | 1 year | 3 years | 1, 2, 6 |
| Places of public entertainment | 1 year | 3 years | 1, 2, 6 |
| Restaurants and hotels | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2, 6 |
| Theatres | 1 year | 3 years | 2, 6, 7 |
| Public houses | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2, 6 |
| Village halls/Community centres | 1 year | 5 years | 1, 2 |
| <i>Special installations</i> | | | |
| Agricultural & horticultural | 1 year | 3 years | 1, 2 |
| Caravans | 1 year | 3 years | |
| Caravan parks | 6 months | 1 year | 1, 2, 6 |
| Highway power supplies | as convenient | 6 years | |
| Marinas | 4 months | 1 year | 1, 2 |
| Fish farms | 4 months | 1 year | 1, 2 |
| Swimming pools | 4 months | 1 year | 1, 2, 6 |
| Emergency lighting | Daily/monthly | 3 years | 2, 3, 4 |
| Fire alarms | Daily/weekly/monthly | 1 year | 2, 4, 5 |
| Launderettes | 1 year | 1 year | 1, 2, 6 |
| Petrol filling stations | 1 year | 1 year | 1, 2, 6 |
| Construction site installations | 3 months | 3 months | 1, 2 |