



## **A Short Guide to the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive**

To assist in the reduction of CO2 emissions, the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive was introduced into UK law in April 2008. The legislation is being implemented in a phased manner by building sector.

Landlords/Property Owners must provide an Energy Performance Certificate to any prospective buyer or tenant when they construct, sell or lease a commercial building.

The timescale for this legislation to take effect is:

- From 6 April 2008 for buildings over 10,000 m sq.
- From 1 July 2008 for Buildings over 2,500m Sq
- From 1 October for all other buildings
- From 1st October 2008 public authorities and institutions occupying buildings with a usable floor area over 1,000m sq. Must present a Display Energy Certificate (DEC) in an area clearly visible to the general public.
- By 4th January 2009 all commercial premises with air conditioning systems with an output greater than 250kW will require an energy inspection report for their system.

On top of our existing range of services we can also arrange certification by energy management specialists to ensure you comply with the above legislation.  
Please contact your usual contact to discuss.