

Cloch Housing Association

Lighting Policy

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Purpose

1.

- 1.1 The aim of this policy is to ensure adequate natural, electrical and emergency lighting is provided in domestic premises owned by the Landlord.
- 1.2 The procedures detailed within this section are intended to comply with the requirements set out in the Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 and the Fire Safety (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

2. References

- Fire (Scotland) Act 2005
- Housing (Scotland) Act 1987
- The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004
- The Fire Safety (Scotland) Regulations 2006

3. Landlord Responsibilities

3.1 Cloch will ensure that all tenanted properties and communal areas are adequately lit to ensure occupiers can carry out general every day activities and in the event of an emergency can exit the premise safely.

4. Procedures:

- 4.1 In properties containing flats and maisonettes, the common escape routes will be adequately illuminated to ensure occupants can exit the building safely.
- 4.2 Where installed an Emergency lighting system will be present in common escape routes and designed to automatically illuminate upon the failure of the power supply, where required.
- 4.3 Cloch will instruct a competent contractor to carry out and record periodic inspections of the emergency lighting system.
- 4.4 All domestic premises will be provided with a natural source of light to ensure the health of the occupant is not threatened.
- 4.5 Windows will be fitted on communal stairways and landings where practicable.
- 4.6 Communal stairways and landings will have reasonable and sufficient level of lighting.
- 4.7 Electrical lighting will be provided in all rooms with a switch immediately at the entrance of the room.
- 4.8 A light switch will be provided at both the top and bottom of staircases in domestic properties.

- 4.9 Cloch will maintain external lighting in residential car parks where installed and are the responsibility of Cloch.
- 4.10 Cloch will maintain lighting and will replace bulbs and fixtures in communal areas when notified, by either staff inspections or after being reported by residents.