



New Technical Handbooks

From April 1st 2024 the new Technical Standards will come into enforcement. Guidance of the requirements to comply with the new standards comes in the following format:

- [Building Standards Division; Domestic Technical Handbook; April 2024](#)
- [Building Standards Division; NON-Domestic Technical Handbook; April 2024](#)

Summary of Changes

- The Technical Standards have been revised to prohibit the use of heating and cooling systems located within the curtilage of any new building, which produce more than a negligible level of greenhouse gas emissions.
- To implement this change, the 2024 technical handbooks introduce standard 6.11 (Heating and hot water – direct emission heating system), associated amendments to standard 6.1 and guidance to standards 6.1, 6.8 and 7.1.
- The handbooks are otherwise unchanged from the June 2023 (December addendum) version.

New Fee Structure 1st April 2024

The new fee levels per The Building (Fees)(Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 are set out in Annex A. [Building Standards Building Warrant Fee Increases 2024 - Building Standards \(blogs.gov.scot\)](#)

- Building Warrant: please see new scale at above link
- Amendment to Building Warrant: 0-£5,000 = 150.00
- Demolition Warrant Only and Conversion Warrant Only: £400.00
- Late Building Warrant: Building Warrant Fee times 200%
- Completion Certificate where No Building Warrant was Obtained: Building Warrant Fee times 300%
- Certificate of Design discount: 0-100,000.00 = between £40.00-£110.00, above this is 10%.
- Certificate of Construction discount: 0-100,000.00 = £20.00-40.00, above this is 3%.
- Letter of Comfort to be confirmed in due course.

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Who to Contact

- Contacting surveyors – please email your case officer, with details of your warrant number, address and query. They will respond by email, or where appropriate, arrange a time for a phone call.
- Inspections – Please contact the inspecting officer (details on the Construction Compliance Notification Plan) at the key stages for inspection. Completion Certificates and associated documentation should be submitted via eBS and the inspecting surveyor will then make contact to arrange an inspection.
- Queries regarding validation /costs & fees / information submitted via portal received / missing drawings / copy documents should be made to the Support Team by eMail - building.standards@west-dunbarton.gov.uk or telephone 0141 951 7930
- The eBuilding Standards platform is provided by the Scottish Government. Please contact eDevelopment@gov.scot for any issues submitting documents by eBS.
- For warrants with a value over £250,000 that require pre-warrant advice ie suitability of proposed stages, please contact building.standards@west-dunbarton.gov.uk should you have a project with a value over £250,000 that you require pre-warrant advice
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