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## **Update for technicians needing Gas Safe Registration for working on Touring Caravan or Motorhome Hire Fleets & Park Operators**



If you are looking to gain an ACS qualification to work on hire fleets, you will have been disappointed to know that since last October 2018, a review in the LPG Specification closed all options for new service technicians wanting this qualification to become Gas Safe Registered.

September 2020 saw the LPG Specification finally receive its approval. This is great news for our industry.

### **Why did it take so long?**

Gas Industry is a very robust industry and legislation and regulations affect learning methods and their outcomes. When changes happen in legislation, industry must respond appropriately. The NCC worked tirelessly to include our industry requirements, which are complex and unique, but we needed to work with all parties in the LPG industries, including marine and large vessel operators, to gain a specification that suits all of our working environments. As an example, we did not want to train you in chimney pots, because this is not part of your job.

### **What does this mean for me?**

NCC Training Academy, NCC Technical and our preferred Certification Bodies now need to write the training content against the new Standard. This means you cannot book a training course, because the training content does not exist right now.

### **When will the training content be finalised?**

We anticipate that the training gateway will be re-opened for Touring Caravans & Motorhome Sector in January 2021, with Park Sector following in February 2021.

## Can I register my interest now in getting the training when it is ready?

Yes, you can register your interest for the training programme with NCC Training Academy and we will contact you later this year to discuss your training options, so you can book your training programme with us.

To register please email: [info@nccacademy.org.uk](mailto:info@nccacademy.org.uk) with your contact details and head up your registration email with ACS Qualification.

## I have an ACS Certificate due for renewal, can I get a training course now?

If you have a valid ACS certificate, you can still re-train under a renewal status. But if you have not had an ACS certificate before, you are considered a new entrant and this pathway is under review.


## What happens to my business in the meantime?

If you are wanting to offer Touring Caravan or Motorhome hire fleet service as part of your current business, you will need a Caravan LPG Gas Safe Register registered engineer to sign off your gas works every time your unit is hired out.

## How do I find a local Caravan LPG Gas Safe Register registered engineer who can sign off gas system checks in my hire fleet?

Look at the Gas Safe Register website, <https://www.gassaferegister.co.uk/find-an-engineer/> Be sure to enter LPG and Caravan as filters and select your region -

## CHECK THE REGISTER



Gas Safe Register is the official list of businesses that are legally permitted to carry out gas work. Every registered business employs an engineer(s), who is issued with a Gas Safe ID card. Not all engineers are qualified to do all types of gas work - so remember to check their ID card before any work is carried out.

If you need gas work done in your home or workplace, you can use the different search options below to find a registered business or check an engineer is registered and qualified for the work you need doing.

### FIND BY LOCATION

To find a Gas Safe registered business simply enter your postcode into the box below, choose the appliance type you're looking for them to work on and click 'Find'. You'll then be able to identify the business' engineers and check their qualifications.

🏠 Domestic - GU11 1SS Find

— Choose Appliance Eg. Boilers/Central Heating, Gas Fires, Caravans, Boats etc.

Natural/Main Gas  LPG/Cylinder

Caravans (touring, static and park homes)

- Boats
- Mobile cabinet heaters
- Caravans (touring, static and park homes)
- Combustion performance gas analysis
- Domestic Cookers/hobs