

Section 2: Application of Part P

General

- 2.1** All electrical installation work carried out in a dwelling is subject to requirement P1, and should comply with the design and installation guidance in Section 1. Section 2 sets out:
- the types of building and **electrical installation** that are within the scope of Part P
 - the types of electrical work that are notifiable and must be certified as complying with the Building Regulations.

Certification procedures are set out in Section 3.

Scope

- 2.2** Part P applies to **electrical installations**:
- in a dwelling-house or flat, and to parts of the installation that are:
 - outside the dwelling – for example fixed lighting and air conditioning units attached to outside walls, photovoltaic panels on roofs, and fixed lighting and pond pumps in gardens
 - in outbuildings such as sheds, detached garages and domestic greenhouses.
 - in the common access areas of blocks of flats such as corridors and staircases
 - in shared amenities of blocks of flats such as laundries, kitchens and gymnasiums
 - in business premises (other than agricultural buildings) connected to the same meter as the **electrical installation** in a dwelling – for example shops and public houses below flats.
- 2.3** Part P does not apply to **electrical installations**:
- in business premises in the same building as a dwelling but with separate metering
 - that supply the power for lifts in blocks of flats (but Part P does apply to lift installations in single dwellings).

NOTE: Schedule 2 to the Building Regulations identifies buildings – for example unoccupied, agricultural, temporary and small detached buildings – that are generally exempt from the requirements of the Regulations. However, conservatories, porches, domestic greenhouses, garages and sheds that share their electricity with a dwelling are not exempt from Part P (by virtue of regulation 9(3)) and must comply with its requirements.

- 2.4** The scope of Part P is illustrated in Diagram 1.