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To whom it may concern

Re: ECO Schemes: SAP10.2 and RdSAP10 transitional arrangements

The latest version of RdSAP is due to be released on 15 June 2025. The Department for Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) set out transitional arrangements in the Government Response here to evidence ECO scheme retrofits using Reduced data Standard Assessment Procedure 10 (RdSAP10) where RdSAP2012 would have been used previously. This enables the use of both RdSAP versions for six months after the regulations come into force, and until the end of the schemes' respective final determination periods for retrofits where compliance issues arise.

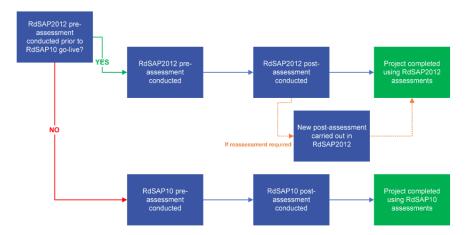
In line with the Government Response, legislation will permit either RdSAP2012 or RdSAP10 to be used for six months after the regulations come into force. However, RdSAP software providers have indicated that, in practice, allowing new pre-retrofit assessments to take place in RdSAP2012 after RdSAP10 is in place is unlikely to be permitted. Software providers will continue allowing the generation of RdSAP2012 post-retrofit assessments to enable retrofits that started in RdSAP2012 to be completed in RdSAP2012, only where the pre-retrofit assessment took place before the "go-live" date of RdSAP10. Any new projects that start after RdSAP10 is implemented, but within the transition window, are likely to be required to be fully assessed in RdSAP10 by software providers.

Please contact the retrofit assessment scheme provider for individual arrangements.

Government is updating ECO legislation to allow SAP10.2 for evidencing purposes where only SAP2012 would have been required previously and will permit use of both versions until the end of ECO4. Where definitions in ECO legislation previously referred to SAP2012 these will also be updated to refer to both SAP10.2 and SAP2012 to align with wider industry standards.

Figure 1 - ECO retrofit process

Below is a flowchart of the expected process for ECO retrofits using RdSAP assessments.

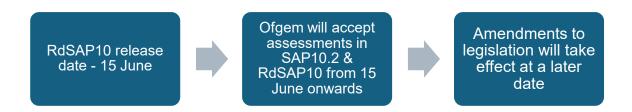


Key timelines:

- 1. RdSAP10 is scheduled to be released on 15 June 2025.
- 2. There is likely to be a gap between the RdSAP10 release and the required amendments to ECO legislation taking effect. To prevent delivery impacts to ECO schemes, from 15 June 2025, the ECO and GBIS schemes' administrator, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem) will accept assessments completed in SAP10.2 even where SAP2012 is still required by the ECO regulations to evidence retrofits. Similarly, Ofgem will accept assessments completed RdSAP10 even where RdSAP2012 is still required by the ECO regulations to evidence retrofits.
- 3. To note, the pre-assessment date must be on or after the 15 June 2025, if the project is being evidenced through SAP10.2 or RdSAP10 as these amendments are not retrospective.
- 4. A further notice will be published when the legislative amendments have been made.

Figure 2 - Timelines

Below is a flowchart showing the key timelines.



We would be grateful if these provisions could be reflected in any communications you issue around this scheme update.

Yours faithfully

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