

Wales Building Regulations 2014 Part L

New Build Non-Domestic – Part L2A

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Recap on 5 criteria for Building Regulations Part L2A compliance

Criteria:

- 1. Building Emission Rate ≤ Target Emission Rate
- 2. Limits on design flexibility
- 3. Limiting the effects of solar gains in summer
- 4. Quality of construction & commissioning
- 5. Providing information / O&M instructions

Criterion 2: Limits on design flexibility

- Non-domestic Building Services Compliance Guide
- Reasonable Provision...
- Values that should not be worse than
- Example:
- Notional Building, chiller:
 - SEER = 4.5
- Back stop, air-cooled chiller:
 - SEER = 2.55



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Criterion 1 – Target Emission Rate (TER) Recipe / Aggregate approach in 2010

Notional Recipe Approach Actual U-values and BER efficiencies **Actual Building** Actual size, shape, orientation, uses, weather and system TER types but....notional U-values and efficiencies

Notional Building



Criterion 1 – Energy Efficiency

- Existing Part L concentrates on CO₂
- CO₂ makes it possible to "greenwash" with renewable technologies, especially biomass.
- Desire to implement Energy Efficiency test before application of renewables as FEES in England for domestic
- Other EU member states implementing EPBD use **primary energy** as metric for energy regulations (Republic of Ireland, Germany, Italy)
- Primary Energy was proposed for Wales in Consultation



Criterion 1 – What is primary energy?

• Primary Energy is:

energy which has not undergone any conversion or transformation process.

- Example, primary energy factor (PEF) for grid electricity: 2.58
- i.e. 2.58 units of primary fuel consumed for every 1 unit of electricity delivered





Proposed Carbon Emission Factors and Primary Energy Factors for SAP 2012

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Criterion 1 – What is primary energy?

- Primary Energy helps reduce greenwash since, for example:
- Biomass PEF = 1.07 KWh / KWh
- Gas PEF = 1.02 KWh / KWh
- No incentive to use biomass in primary energy calculation
- SAP consultation includes no guidance on PEF for renewable electricity produced *on-site*...
- ... Taken as 1.0 in many member states but decided in Wales to take grid average to reduce greenwash further



Criterion 1 – Introduction of Target Primary Energy Consumption (TPEC) in addition to TER

Retain Notional Recipe Approach





Final published recipes – 20% CO₂ reduction

Element	Side lit or unlit (Heating only)	Side lit or unlit (Includes cooling)	Toplit
Roof U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.18	0.18	0.18
Wall U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.26	0.26	0.26
Floor U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.22	0.22	0.22
Window U-value (W/m ² .K)	1.6 (10% FF)	1.8 (10% FF)	N/A
G-Value (%)	40%	40%	N/A
Light Transmittance (%)	71%	71%	N/A
Roof light U-value (W/m ² .K)	N/A	N/A	1.8 (15% FF)
G-Value (%)	N/A	N/A	52%
Light Transmittance (%)	N/A	N/A	57%
Air-permeability (m3/m2/hour), r	note: GIA = Gross Int	ernal Area	
$GIA \le 250m^2$	5	5	7
250m² < GIA ≤ 3,500m²	3	5	7
3,500m ² < GIA ≤ 10,000m ²	3	5	5
10,000m ² < GIA	3	5	3



Final published recipes – 20% CO₂ reduction

Lighting Efficacy (Im / circuit watt)	65	65	65
Occupancy control (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Daylight control (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maintenance Factor	0.8	0.8	0.8
Constant illuminance control	No	No	No
Heating efficiency	91%	91%	91%
Central SFP (W/I/s)	1.8	1.8	1.8
Terminal Unit SFP (W/I/s)	0.3	0.3	0.3
Cooling (SEER / SSEER)	N/A	4.5 / 3.6	4.5 / 3.6
Cooling (mixed mode) (SSEER)	N/A	2.7	2.7
Heat recovery efficiency (%)	70%	70%	70%
Variable speed control	Yes	Yes	Yes
Demand control ventilation	Yes	Yes	Yes



Resulting primary energy reduction

Building Description	Notional Building	Resultant target reduction
Primary School	SL-HO	8.5%
Office	SL-H&C	16.5%
Hotel	SL-HO	7.1%
Medium Warehouse	TL	10.0%
Community Hospital	SL-HO	12.2%
Multi-Residential	SL-HO	10.3%
Retail	SL-H&C	11.7%
Small Warehouse	TL	0.8%
Large Warehouse	TL	8.8%
Aggregate Total		10.3%



Need for Low and Zero Carbon Technologies in notional building?

- Once Energy Efficiency measures exhausted target can only be moved forward by assuming LZC technologies
- But which ones?





Need for Low and Zero Carbon Technologies in notional building?

- Conclusion: PV only technology applicable in all cases
- Recipe includes area of roof-mounted PV
- Expressed as 5.3% floor area (GIA)





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Maintenance Factor	0.8	0.8	0.8
Constant illuminance control	No	No	No
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Central SFP (W/I/s)	1.8	1.8	1.8
Terminal Unit SFP (W/I/s)	0.3	0.3	0.3
Cooling (SEER / SSEER)	N/A	4.5 / 3.6	4.5 / 3.6
Cooling (mixed mode) (SSEER)	N/A	2.7	2.7
Heat recovery efficiency (%)	70%	70%	70%
Variable speed control	Yes	Yes	Yes
Demand control ventilation	Yes	Yes	Yes
Area of PV, % floor area	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%



Resulting CO₂ reduction

Building Description	Notional Building	Resultant target reduction
Primary School	SL-HO	20.9%
Office	SL-H&C	27.1%
Hotel	SL-HO	10.6%
Medium Warehouse	TL	23.9%
Community Hospital	SL-HO	21.9%
Multi-Residential	SL-HO	20.5%
Retail	SL-H&C	18.9%
Small Warehouse	TL	15.2%
Large Warehouse	TL	20.1%
Aggregate Total		20%



Element	Notional Building	Improve Chiller	Extra PV
Roof U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.18	0.18	0.25
Wall U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.26	0.35	0.35
Floor U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.22	0.22	0.25
Window U-value (W/m ² .K)	1.8 (10% FF)	1.8 (10% FF)	1.8 (10% FF)
G-Value (%)	40%	40%	55%
Chiller (SEER)	4.5	5.5	4.5
PV Array (kW(p))	8	8	11
TPEC (kWh/m ² .yr)	-	129.7	129.7
BPEC (kWh/m ² .yr)	-	127.3	132.8
TER (kgCO ₂ /m ² .yr)	-	22.6	22.6
BER (kgCO ₂ /m ² .yr)	-	22.1	22.0

Note: Gross internal area = $1,200m^2$

All other values as per Notional building specification



Element	Notional Building	Improve Air Permeability	Reduce PV
Roof U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.18	0.18	0.16
Wall U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.26	0.26	0.20
Floor U-value (W/m ² .K)	0.22	0.22	0.18
Air-permeability (m ³ /m ² /hour)	5	3	3
Lighting Efficacy (Im / cW)	65	55	60
PV Array (kW(p))	40	40	11
TPEC (kWh/m ² .yr)	-	119.1	119.1
BPEC (kWh/m ² .yr)	-	117.2	105.8
TER (kgCO ₂ /m ² .yr)	-	19.7	19.7
BER (kgCO ₂ /m ² .yr)	-	19.4	19.6

Note: Gross internal area = 5,200m²

All other values as per Notional building specification



Treatment of Renewable Heat

- Biomass and Heat Pumps
- 2010
 - If biomass or heat pumps used in Actual building also used in Notional building
 - Little carbon benefit therefore from biomass boilers or heat pumps
- 2014
 - Primary Energy metric no longer necessitates 2010 approach
 - If gas available gas boiler assumed in notional (whether or not gas used in actual building)
 - If gas **not** available oil boiler assumed in notional



Treatment of Lighting

- 2010
 - Actual design lux level irrelevant rebased to notional building value.
 - So supermarket designed to 2000 lux, rebased to notional building 800 lux.

- 2014
 - Actual installed lighting wattage used so penalising overlit spaces.
 - Maintenance factors are assumed in the notional and should be included in calculated values in the actual
 - Constant illuminance controls are available in the actual
 - LENI method can be used to show compliance with Criterion 2



Treatment of District Heating

- 2010
 - Notional CO₂ emission factor for heat supplied from district heating same as in actual.
 - Little carbon benefit from connection to district heating.
- **2014**
 - Minimum CO_2 emission factor applied to notional building.
 - Allows carbon benefit where efficient district heating is employed.





Removal of Accredited Construction Details (ACDs)

- No quality assured accredited construction details schemes have been approved by the Secretary of State.
- The confidence factor of 0.02 W/mK or 25 per cent is no longer applied.



Thank you

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