# **Energy Performance Certificate**

# Northern Ireland

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Reference number: 9511-0027-6440-5673-7026

Accreditation scheme: ECMK

Assessor's name: Mr Andrew Duncan
Assessor's accreditation number: ECMK280064
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Related party disclosure: I am not related to the buyer nor seller

## **Energy Efficiency Rating**

**ANTRIM** 

**BT41 4RQ** 

	Current	Potential
Very energy efficient - lower running costs		
<b>A</b> 92-100		
B 81-91	82	82
C 69-80		
D 55-68		
E 39-54		
F 21-38		
<b>G</b> 1-20		
Not energy efficient - higher running costs		

### **Technical information**

Main heating type and fuel: Boiler and radiators, mains gas

**Total floor area:** 50 m

**Approximate energy use:** 172 kWh/m² per year **Approximate CO**<sub>2</sub> **emissions:** 28 kg/m² per year

**Dwelling type:** Top-floor flat

### **Benchmark**

Average for Northern Ireland

50

The approximate energy use and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are per square metre of floor area based on fuel costs for the heating, ventilation, hot water and lighting systems. The rating can be compared to the benchmark of the average energy efficiency rating for the housing stock in Northern Ireland.

## Estimated energy use, carbon dioxide CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and fuel costs of this home

	Current	Potential	
Energy use	172 kWh/m² per year	172 kWh/m² per year	
Carbon dioxide emissions	1.4 tonnes per year	1.4 tonnes per year	
Lighting	£31 per year	£31 per year	
Heating	£225 per year	£225 per year	
Hot water	£70 per year	£70 per year	

Based on standardised assumptions about occupancy, heating patterns and geographical location, the above table provides an indication of how much it will cost to provide lighting, heating and hot water to this home. The fuel costs only take into account the cost of fuel and not any associated service, maintenance or safety inspection. This certificate has been provided for comparative purposes only and enables one home to be compared with another. Always check the date the certificate was issued, because fuel prices can increase over time and energy savings recommendations will evolve.

#### **About this document**

The Energy Performance Certificate for this dwelling was produced following an energy assessment undertaken by a qualified assessor, accredited by ECMK Ltd, to a scheme authorised by the Government. This certificate was produced using the RdSAP assessment methodology and has been produced under the Energy Performance of Buildings (Certificates and Inspections) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008. A copy of the certificate has been lodged on a national register.

#### If you have a complaint or wish to confirm that the certificate is genuine

Details of the assessor and the relevant accreditation scheme are on the preceding page. You can get contact details of the accreditation scheme from their web site at www.ecmk.co.uk together with details of their procedures for confirming authenticity of a certificate and for making a complaint.

## About the building's performance ratings

The ratings provide a measure of the building's overall energy efficiency and its environmental impact, calculated in accordance with a national methodology that takes into account factors such as insulation, heating and hot water systems, ventilation and fuels used. The average energy efficiency rating for a dwelling in Northern Ireland is band E (rating 50).

Not all buildings are used in the same way, so energy ratings use 'standard occupancy' assumptions which may be different from the specific way you use your home. Different methods of calculation are used for homes and for other buildings. Details can be found at www.communities.gov.uk/epdb

Buildings that are more energy efficient use less energy, save money and help protect the environment. A building with a rating of 100 would cost almost nothing to heat and light and would cause almost no carbon emissions. The potential ratings in the certificate describe how close this building could get to 100 if all the cost effective recommended improvements were implemented.



The address and energy rating of the dwelling in this EPC may be given to EST to provide information on financial help for improving its energy performance.

For advice on how to take action and to find out about offers available to help make your home more energy efficient, call **0800 512 012** or visit **www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/myhome** 

## About the impact of buildings on the environment

One of the biggest contributors to global warming is carbon dioxide. The way we use energy in buildings causes emissions of carbon. The energy we use for heating, lighting and power in homes produces over a quarter of the UK's carbon dioxide emissions and other buildings produce a further one-sixth.

The average household causes about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting the recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources. In addition there are many simple every day measures that will save money, improve comfort and reduce the impact on the environment. Some examples are given at the end of this report.

## Environmental Impact CO, Rating

	Current	Potential
Very environmentally friendly - lower CO <sub>2</sub> emissions		
A 92-100		
B 81-91		
C 69-80	80	80
D 55-68		
E 39-54		
F 21-38		
<b>G</b> 1-20		
Not environmentally friendly - higher CO <sub>2</sub> emissions		

#### Visit the Government's website at www.communities.gov.uk/epbd to:

- Find how to confirm the authenticity of an energy performance certificate
- Find how to make a complaint about a certificate or the assessor who produced it
- Learn more about the national register where this certificate has been lodged
- Learn more about energy efficiency and reducing energy consumption

# Recommended measures to improve this home's energy performance

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# Summary of this home's energy performance related features

The following is an assessment of the key individual elements that have an impact on this home's performance rating. Each element is assessed against the following scale: Very poor / Poor / Average / Good / Very good.

Element	Description	Current performance	
		Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Cavity wall, as built, insulated (assumed)	Good	Good
Roof	Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation	Good	Good
Floor	(other premises below)		
Windows	Fully double glazed	Good	Good
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	Good	Very good
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	Average	Average
Secondary heating	None		
Hot water	From main system	Good	Very good
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 80% of fixed outlets	Very good	Very good
Current Energy efficie	ency rating	B 82	
Current environmental impact (CO <sub>2</sub> ) rating			C 80

## Low and zero carbon energy sources

None

# Recommendations

None

# Further measures to achieve even higher standards

Not applicable

### About the cost effective measures to improve this home's performance ratings

Not applicable

#### About the further measures to achieve even higher standards

Not applicable

#### What can I do today?

Actions that will save money and reduce the impact of your home on the environment include:

- Ensure that you understand the dwelling and how its energy systems are intended to work so as to obtain the maximum benefit in terms of reducing energy use and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.
- Check that your heating system thermostat is not set too high (in a home, 21°C in the living room is suggested) and use the timer to ensure you only heat the building when necessary.
- Turn off lights when not needed and do not leave appliances on standby. Remember not to leave chargers (e.g for mobile phones) turned on when you are not using them.
- Close your curtains at night to reduce heat escaping through the windows.
- If you're not filling up the washing machine, tumble dryer or dishwasher, use the half-load or economy programme. Minimise the use of tumble dryers and dry clothes outdoors where possible.