

The Truth About Gas Safety In The West Midlands

As Gas Safety Week draws to a close, Sutton Coldfield and Tamworth's trusted heating expert, Laker Home Care, has uncovered that residents in the West Midlands are playing with fire!

New research shows that just over 2 million people* are still living without a carbon monoxide monitor, despite thousands of people being rushed to hospital with suspected carbon monoxide poisoning last year alone.

A cause for concern



1 in 2

Don't own a CO monitor



1 in 5

Don't think CO poisoning will make them ill



1 in 8

Are more worried about their TV packing up than having a faulty boiler



1 in 2

Fail to ask to see an engineer's qualifications



1 in 7

Felt a CO monitor was too expensive



1 in 5

Can't correctly identify the symptoms of CO poisoning

Making gas safety a priority

To help identify a faulty central heating system and to protect yourself against carbon monoxide poisoning there are several things you can do:



Employ a qualified engineer, who is registered with the Gas Safe Register for work on gas appliances



Fit a carbon monoxide alarm that meets British or European Standards



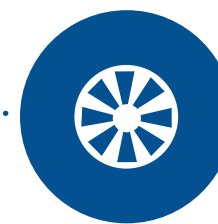
Have fuel-burning appliances checked regularly by a qualified engineer



Ensure chimneys and flues are clean and not blocked



Ensure all rooms are well ventilated when an appliance is being used



Fit an extractor fan in your kitchen

To book your annual boiler service visit
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If you smell gas or are suspicious of a gas leak call the National Gas Emergency Service number on 0800 111999, 24 hours a day.