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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 450**

**GAS**

**The Gas Meters (Information on Connection  
and Disconnection) Regulations 1996**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>28th February 1996</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>28th February 1996</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st March 1996</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by paragraph 12(1) and (2) of Schedule 2B to, and sections 47 and 48(1)(1) of, the Gas Act 1986(2), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gas Meters (Information on Connection and Disconnection) Regulations 1996 and shall come into force on 1st March 1996.

**Form and contents of notice under paragraph 12 of Schedule 2B**

2. A notice under paragraph 12(1) of Schedule 2B to the Gas Act 1986 (failure to notify connection or disconnection of service pipe) shall be in the form specified in the Schedule to these Regulations or a form to the like effect, and shall contain the information specified in the Schedule to these Regulations.

28th February 1996

*Tim Eggar,*  
Minister for Industry and Energy,  
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(1) See the definition of “prescribed”.

(2) 1986 c. 44. Schedule 2B was inserted by section 9(2) of the Gas Act 1995 (c. 45).

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## SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

### GAS ACT 1986

#### NOTICE UNDER PARAGRAPH 12 OF SCHEDULE 2B OF CONNECTION/DISCONNECTION OF METER(3)

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- (3) By paragraph 12(1) of Schedule 2B to the Gas Act 1986, the notice must be received by the appropriate public gas transporter or gas supplier (see note (b) below) at least 48 hours before the proposed connection or disconnection. However, by paragraph 12(3), any information required to be included in the notice, other than details of the time and place of the proposed connection or disconnection, may be given to that person within 48 hours after the connection or disconnection in so far as it is not reasonably practicable for the notice to contain that information.

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To .....(b)

This is to notify that I/we(c), .....(d), propose to—

- (a) connect a meter;
- (b) disconnect a meter;
- (c) disconnect a meter and then connect a meter(e),

with and/or from a service pipe through which gas is conveyed to premises. Further information relating to the connection and/or disconnection is given below.

1. Details of—

- (a) time .....am/pm/ .....(day)/ ..... (month)/ ..... (year); and
- (b) place ..... (no. (if any) and street) ..... (town) ..... (postcode)

of proposed connection and/or disconnection.

2. Any meter-point reference number or code which the person making the connection or disconnection reasonably believes to have been assigned by a public gas transporter for identifying the point at which the meter measures the gas conveyed by the transporter.

3. The name of the person requesting the connection and/or disconnection.

4. In the case of a connection, whether the person making the connection is an approved person within the meaning of Condition 22(6) of the Standard Conditions of Gas Suppliers' Licences(f).

5. The register(s) of the meter(s) at the time of the connection and/or disconnection.

Disconnected meter .....

Connected meter(g) .....

6. In the case of a connection, where known, the following details of the meter(h):—

- (a) type(i) and model(j) of the meter .....
- (b) whether the meter is a pre-payment meter .....
- (c) manufacturer of the meter .....

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(b) Insert name of person (including company or other legal person) to whom notice is given. By paragraph 12(1) of Schedule 2B to the Gas Act 1986, this must be the gas supplier supplying gas to the premises if his name and address are known to the person proposing to make the connection or disconnection; otherwise it should be the public gas transporter conveying gas to the premises.

(c) Delete as applicable.

(d) Insert name and address of person proposing to make the connection and/or disconnection.

(e) Delete as applicable, depending on whether the form relates to a connection, a disconnection or a disconnection followed by a connection.

(f) The Standard Conditions of Gas Suppliers' Licences are determined under section 8(2) of the Gas Act 1995. They are published by HMSO—ISBN 0-11-515408-6.

(g) Complete the applicable entry or entries.

(h) See note (a) above.

(i) eg diaphragm, ultrasonic, rotary displacement, turbine.

(j) eg U6, E6, T130.

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- (d) year of manufacture of the meter .....
- (e) serial number of the meter .....
- (f) measuring capacity of the meter(a).....
- (g) units in which the register of the meter is expressed(b), including any multiplication factor for the number of units(c) .....
7. In the case of a disconnection, where known, the serial number of the meter.
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8. In the case of a connection, where known, the name and address of the owner of the meter.
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9. In the case of a connection, where known, the following details of any device ("converter") that is fitted or proposed to be fitted to the meter at the time of the connection for the purpose of converting the reading of the meter to take account of temperature, pressure, compressibility or density:—
- (a) model of the converter.....
- (b) manufacturer of the converter.....
- (c) year of manufacture of the converter.....
- (d) serial number of the converter.....
- (e) the converted and (if appropriate) any unconverted reading of the register of the converter at the time of connection .....
- (f) which one or more of the following the converter operates in respect of: temperature, pressure, compressibility, density .....
10. In the case of a disconnection, where known, the following details of any converter (see item 9 above) fitted to the meter at the time of the disconnection:—
- (a) serial number of the converter.....
- (b) the converted and (if appropriate) any unconverted reading of the register of the converter at the time of disconnection.....
11. Whether a meter bypass is fitted or proposed to be fitted at the time of the connection or disconnection.
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12. Whether a meter collar is fitted or proposed to be fitted at the time of the connection or disconnection.
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Signature of, or of a person on behalf of, the person giving the notice, and in the latter case a statement of the capacity of the signatory

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Date of notice

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(a) eg maximum flow-rate of 6 cubic metres per hour.  
 (b) eg cubic metres, cubic feet.  
 (c) eg, if the number of units is to be ascertained by multiplying the index reading by 10, insert 10 here.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

Paragraph 12 of Schedule 2B to the Gas Act 1986 provides that a person proposing to connect a meter with a service pipe through which gas is conveyed to any premises by a public gas transporter, or to disconnect a meter from such a pipe, must give 48 hours' notice of the connection or disconnection to the gas supplier supplying gas to the premises, or to the transporter in question. The Regulations prescribe the form of the notice and the information which it is to contain. This includes details of the meter itself and of the person requesting the connection or disconnection.