



Paperwork

Ask the current owners for any maintenance, installation of gas safety checks/records that they have, for their household's gas appliances and gas pipework.



Peace of mind

If they can't provide a record, or it's been more than 12 months since the last check, get in touch with a local Gas Safe registered engineer who can carry out a safety check for you when you move in.



Play it safe

Your homebuyer or structural surveys might not confirm if the gas appliances in your new property are working as they should be. You'll need to get them checked by a Gas Safe registered engineer.



Look for signs

Signs something could be wrong with the gas appliances in your new property, include lazy yellow flames on or around the appliance, black marks or stains, increased condensation or intermittent pilot lights.



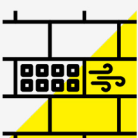
Prepare

Find out where your gas Emergency Control Valve (ECV) is located, so you can switch the gas supply off in an emergency.



Perfecting your home

If doing work to a home after you've moved in, don't try to fit, fix or move gas appliances such as boilers, ovens or fires, yourself. Use a Gas Safe registered engineer.



Ventilation matters

Don't block or cover air vents and flues – your gas appliance will need ventilation and flues to work safely.



Always check

Before drilling, hammering or putting screws into a wall or floor, check what's behind it!



To find a local Gas Safe registered engineer in your area, visit [GasSafeRegister.co.uk](https://www.gas-saferegister.co.uk) or call **0800 408 5500**.