

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

7 MERCHANT HOUSE, CASTLE STREET, INVERNESS, IV2 3DU

Dwelling type: Top-floor flat
Date of assessment: 13 June 2022
Date of certificate: 24 August 2022
Total floor area: 39 m²
Primary Energy Indicator: 11 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 3412-3936-2530-2857-9296
Type of assessment: SAP, existing dwelling
Approved Organisation: Stroma
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, mains gas

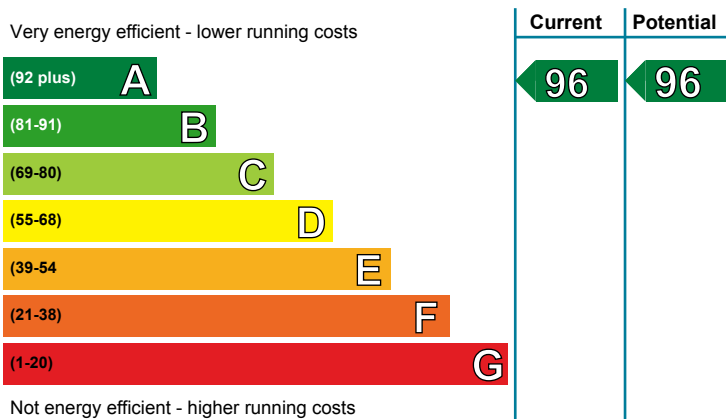
You can use this document to:

- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*

£900

* based upon the cost of energy for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation, calculated using standard assumptions

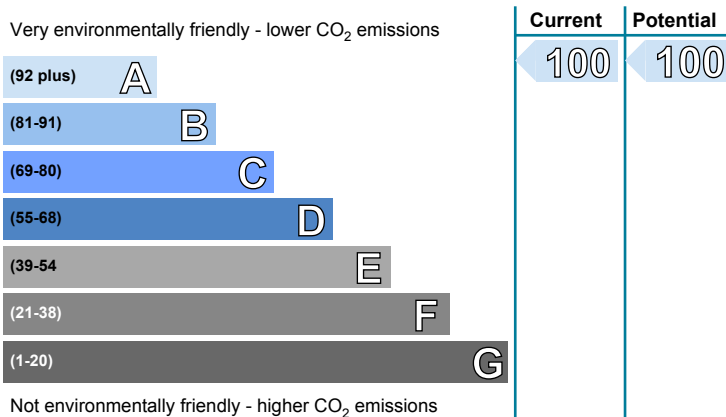


Energy Efficiency Rating

This graph shows the current efficiency of your home, taking into account both energy efficiency and fuel costs. The higher this rating, the lower your fuel bills are likely to be.

Your current rating is **band A (96)**. The average rating of EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

The potential rating shows the effect of undertaking all of the improvement measures listed within your recommendations report.



Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

This graph shows the effect of your home on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band A (100)**. The average rating of EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

The potential rating shows the effect of undertaking all of the improvement measures listed within your recommendations report.

Top actions you can take to save money and make your home more efficient

There are currently no improvement measures recommended for your home.

THIS PAGE IS THE ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE WHICH MUST BE AFFIXED TO THE DWELLING AND NOT BE REMOVED UNLESS IT IS REPLACED WITH AN UPDATED CERTIFICATE

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

This table sets out the results of the survey which lists the current energy-related features of this home. Each element is assessed by the national calculation methodology; 1 star = very poor (least efficient), 2 stars = poor, 3 stars = average, 4 stars = good and 5 stars = very good (most efficient). The assessment does not take into consideration the condition of an element and how well it is working. 'Assumed' means that the insulation could not be inspected and an assumption has been made in the methodology, based on age and type of construction.

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Average thermal transmittance 0.15 W/m ² K	★★★★★	★★★★★
Roof	Average thermal transmittance 0.14 W/m ² K	★★★★★	★★★★★
Floor	(other premises below)	—	—
Windows	High performance glazing	★★★★★	★★★★★
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★★☆	★★★★☆
Main heating controls	Time and temperature zone control	★★★★★	★★★★★
Secondary heating	None	—	—
Hot water	From main system	★★★★☆	★★★★☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	★★★★★	★★★★★

The energy efficiency rating of your home

Your Energy Efficiency Rating is calculated using the standard UK methodology, SAP. This calculates energy used for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation and then applies fuel costs to that energy use to give an overall rating for your home. The rating is given on a scale of 1 to 100. Other than the cost of fuel for electrical appliances and for cooking, a building with a rating of 100 would cost almost nothing to run.

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland.

The impact of your home on the environment

One of the biggest contributors to global warming is carbon dioxide. The energy we use for heating, lighting and power in our homes produces over a quarter of the UK's carbon dioxide emissions. Different fuels produce different amounts of carbon dioxide for every kilowatt hour (kWh) of energy used. The Environmental Impact Rating of your home is calculated by applying these 'carbon factors' for the fuels you use to your overall energy use.

The calculated emissions for your home are 3 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 0.1 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. You could reduce emissions by switching to renewable energy sources.

Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs
Heating	£600 over 3 years	£600 over 3 years
Hot water	£183 over 3 years	£183 over 3 years
Lighting	£117 over 3 years	£117 over 3 years
Totals	£900	£900

These figures show how much the average household would spend in this property for heating, lighting and hot water. This excludes energy use for running appliances such as TVs, computers and cookers, and the benefits of any electricity generated by this home (for example, from photovoltaic panels).

Recommendations for improvement

None

Low and zero carbon energy sources

Low and zero carbon (LZC) energy sources are sources of energy that release either very little or no carbon dioxide into the atmosphere when they are used. Installing these sources may help reduce energy bills as well as cutting carbon.

LZC energy sources present:

- Solar photovoltaics

Your home's heat demand

In this section, you can see how much energy you might need to heat your home and provide hot water. We have based these estimates on how an average home uses energy. These estimates may not reflect your actual energy use, which could be higher or lower. You might spend more money on heating and hot water if your house is less energy efficient. The table below shows the potential benefit of having your loft and walls insulated. Visit <https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home> for more information.

Heat demand

Space heating (kWh per year)	1,613
Water heating (kWh per year)	1,448

About this document

This Recommendations Report and the accompanying Energy Performance Certificate are valid for a maximum of ten years. These documents cease to be valid where superseded by a more recent assessment of the same building carried out by a member of an Approved Organisation.

The Energy Performance Certificate and this Recommendations Report for this building were produced following an energy assessment undertaken by an assessor accredited by Stroma (www.stroma.com), an Approved Organisation Appointed by Scottish Ministers. The certificate has been produced under the Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Regulations 2008 from data lodged to the Scottish EPC register. You can verify the validity of this document by visiting www.scottishepcregister.org.uk and entering the report reference number (RRN) printed at the top of this page.

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