

ECO4 & GBIS Flex: Householder Application Form

ECO4 & GBIS Flexibility (ECO4 & GBIS Flex), is a household referral mechanism within the wider Energy Company Obligation (ECO4 & GBIS) scheme which enables suppliers, local authorities (LAs), and Devolved Administrations (DAs), to target low-income households who are unlikely to be in receipt of the scheme's standard approach to fulfilling eligibility. Under ECO4 & GBIS Flex, a participating LA can refer private tenure households that it considers to be living in fuel poverty or on a low income and vulnerable to the effects of living in a cold home.

This form allows households across Great Britain to apply to their local authority for the ECO4 & GBIS Flex scheme, as outlined by the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS).

Households are able to indicate on this form which of the four available routes they may qualify under and share their personal details with their local authority or eligibility assessor.

This application form does not guarantee eligibility for ECO4 & GBIS Flex, and all applications are subject to an assessment carried out by the local authority, as outlined in the ECO4 & GBIS Flex: Local Authority Administrative Guidance¹.

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| Name of householder: | | Date: | |
| Address: | | | |
| Postcode: | | Household contact number: | |

Having read and understood the ECO4 & GBIS Flex: Local Authority Administrative Guidance to the best of my abilities, I understand that I may be eligible for the scheme under:

¹ <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/final-eco4-guidance-local-authority-administration>

ECO4 Flex Eligibility routes

| Route: | Summary of route: | Tick any that apply |
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| Route 1 | Owner-occupier SAP band D-G households or private rented sector E-G homes with a gross household income less than £31,000. | |
| Route 2 | Owner-occupied or private tenure SAP bands E-G households that meet a combination of two of the following: | |
| | Proxy 1) Homes in England in Lower-layer Super Output Area 1-3 (LSOA). [Proxy 1 cannot be used with proxy 3]. | |
| | Proxy 2) Householders receiving a Council Tax rebate (rebates based on low income only, excludes single person rebates). | |
| | Proxy 3) Householders vulnerable to living in a cold home as identified in the NICE Guidance ² . Only one proxy from the list can be used, excluding the proxy 'low income'. [Proxy 3 cannot be used with proxy 1]. | |
| | Proxy 4) A householder receiving free school meals due to low-income | |
| | Proxy 5) A householder supported by a LA run scheme, that has been named and described by the LA as supporting low income and vulnerable households for the purposes of NICE Guideline. | |
| | Proxy 6) A household referred to the LA for support by their energy supplier or Citizen's Advice because they are struggling to pay their electricity and gas bills. | |
| Route 3 | Owner-occupier SAP band D-G households or private rented sector E-G homes that have been identified by their doctor or GP as vulnerable, with an occupant whose health conditions may be impacted further by living in a cold home. These health conditions may be cardiovascular, respiratory, immunosuppressed, or limited mobility related. | |
| Route 4 | Owner-occupier SAP band D-G households or private rented sector E-G homes that are referred under Route 4: Bespoke Targeting for low-income and vulnerable households, who are not eligible under existing routes. | |

- ☐ I give consent for the information provided on this form to be used by Shropshire Council and BidConnecter Limited to assess my eligibility for an ECO4 & GBIS Flex Declaration. I understand that this document is not a declaration, and that it will not guarantee my eligibility for ECO4 & GBIS Flex measures.
- ☐ I understand that the availability of ECO4 & GIBS funding and measures will be subject to a retrofit coordinator and that the Shropshire Council does not endorse any specific ECO provider or contractor.
- ☐ I certify that the information I provide about my financial and personal circumstances is true and correct. I understand that the Shropshire Council and BidConnecter Limited will require evidence to substantiate this claim.
- ☐ I give the Shropshire Council and BidConnecter Limited permission to share my contact and personal details with third parties to assess whether a contribution is available.

Householder signature: _____

² <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng6/chapter/1-Recommendations#recommendation-2-ensure-there-is-a-singlepointofcontact-health-and-housing-referral-service-for>