

Statutory basis: HSWA 1974 s.2(2)(a) and MHSWR 1999 regs 3 and 5 — this document is the recorded safe system of work. The Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999 govern the water connections the trade makes. Two hard boundaries are drawn and kept: gas work — disconnection, reconnection or alteration of any gas appliance or pipework — is carried out **ONLY** by a Gas Safe registered engineer under the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998 and is outside every document in this series; and notifiable electrical work in dwellings is completed and certified by a qualified electrician under the Electricity at Work Regulations 1989 and, in England and Wales, the Building Regulations 2010 (equivalent building standards apply elsewhere in the UK) — the installer's scope stops at the isolator. COSHH 2002 governs the adhesives, sealants and tanking chemistry, and the Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992 the baths, worktops and appliances the trade carries. The Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012 apply to every pre-2000 home: textured coatings, floor tiles, boards behind heaters and flues are checked before they are disturbed. Prepared against legislation current at 10/08/2026.

1 DOCUMENT AND PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

RAMS REFERENCE	PROJECT / SITE REF	SITE NAME AND ADDRESS	DATE PREPARED	NEXT REVIEW DATE
CLIENT / PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR	PLANNED START	DURATION	OPERATIVES	SUPERVISING THE WORK

2 SCOPE OF WORKS

Installation of kitchen units, laminate and timber worktops, sinks and taps, and the fitting and plumbed connection of appliances — with electrical final connections and any gas work left to the certificated trades.

This document does not cover: stone and composite worktops (KD-RAMS-KB-005), gas cooker and hob connection (Gas Safe engineer), and new circuits or notifiable electrical work (qualified electrician certificates before the trade relies on it).

SITE-SPECIFIC SCOPE, LOCATIONS AND LIMITATIONS

3 RISK ASSESSMENT — SCORE EACH RISK FOR THIS SITE, THEN ADD WHAT IS MISSING

The hazards and controls below are the starting point for this activity, written by a working main contractor. They are not complete for your site until a competent person has scored each risk, added the site-specific hazards, and struck out anything that does not apply. Rate risks High / Medium / Low before and after controls.

1. Working in an occupied home — the household lives in the workplace

At risk: Householders, children, pets, operatives

Controls: The work area separated from the household daily — dust screens at the door, tools and materials inside the line, nothing blocking the family's escape routes; children and pets kept out by arrangement with the client, not by hope; power tools never left plugged in unattended; the area left safe and the services usable (or the outage agreed) every night.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

2. The home's own services — water, electricity and gas in every wall and floor

At risk: Operatives, the household

Controls: Isolation before disturbance: water at the stopcock or local valves and proven at the tap; electrical circuits isolated at the consumer unit, locked or labelled, and proven dead at the point of work; gas appliances and pipework are NOT disturbed — a Gas Safe engineer disconnects before strip-out and reconnects at fit; scan before every fixing into walls and floors.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

3. Manual handling of boards, materials and components

At risk: Operatives

Controls: Mechanical aids first — trolleys, board lifters, hoists. Two-person lifts for boards and long components; order materials in manageable sizes; plan storage close to the workplace; keep carrying routes clear and lit.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

4. Noise from cutting, fixing and plant

At risk: Operatives, others in the area

Controls: Select quieter methods and tools where practicable; hearing protection in designated zones and for noisy operations; agree noisy-works windows with the occupier in occupied buildings.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

5. Skin contact with cements, plasters, adhesives and sealants

At risk: Operatives

Controls: COSHH assessments for every substance; gloves matched to the substance; barrier and after-work creams available; washing facilities close to the work; report skin problems early — dermatitis is a reportable trend, not a private nuisance.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

6. Cutting worktops and units in the house — dust and the cut that wanders*At risk: Operatives, the household*

Controls: Cutting outside or in the screened area with on-tool extraction; jigs and guides for worktop cuts — freehand routing in a fitted kitchen invites the slip; FFP3 for MDF and laminate cutting; blades and cutters sharp and guarded.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

7. Hot works of the small kind — solvent adhesives and sealants in a closed room*At risk: Operatives, the household*

Controls: Contact adhesives and solvent sealants per their COSHH assessment with the room ventilated; ignition controlled while vapour is present; water-based products preferred where the specification allows.

INITIAL (H/M/L)	RESIDUAL (H/M/L)	SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

Site-specific hazards not listed above — every site has at least one:

HAZARD	WHO IS AT RISK	CONTROLS	INITIAL H/...	RESIDUAL...	ACTION OWNER	BY WHEN

4 METHOD — SEQUENCE OF WORK

- Setting out from the plan; walls scanned before every fixing; first-fix services confirmed where the design puts them.
- Base units levelled and linked, wall units on their rails into sound fixings — two-person lifts for wall cabinets.
- Worktops templated, cut with guides and extraction, jointed and sealed; cut-outs made with the sink and hob checked in.
- Sink, taps and appliance connections made to the isolations, then proven wet with the joints inspected under pressure.
- Electrician and Gas Safe engineer complete their connections and certificates; the installer fits doors, plinths and trims.
- Snag, clean, and hand the room back working — with the client shown the isolators they now own.

SITE-SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS TO THE SEQUENCE**5 PLANT, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS**

- 110V or battery saws, routers with guides and extraction
- Pipe tools and pressure-test kit for wet connections
- Laser level; two-person lifting for wall units

INSPECTION / THOROUGH EXAMINATION REFS	COSHH ASSESSMENT REFS

6 PPE — THE LAST LINE OF CONTROL, NOT THE FIRST

- Head protection
- Gloves — task-rated
- FFP3 for worktop and MDF cutting
- Safety footwear
- Eye protection
- High visibility
- Hearing protection

RPE TYPE, FACE-FIT STATUS, AND ANY OTHER PPE REQUIRED**7 PERMITS REQUIRED BEFORE THIS WORK STARTS**

No permit is normally required for this activity. The site's own rules may still require one — check before starting, and record any permit issued below.

PERMITS ISSUED FOR THIS WORK (OR NONE)**8 EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS — COMPLETE FOR THIS SITE**

FIRST AIDER AND LOCATION	NEAREST A&E	ASSEMBLY POINT
HOW THE ALARM IS RAISED	EMERGENCY ACCESS FOR THIS WORK AREA	SPILL / ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE

9 BRIEFING RECORD — EVERYONE WORKING UNDER THIS RAMS SIGNS BEFORE STARTING

By signing you confirm the contents of this RAMS have been explained to you, you understand the hazards and controls, and you will work to the sequence stated. Tell the supervisor if the work or the site does not match this document — work stops until it does.

NAME	COMPANY	SIGNATURE	DATE

10 PREPARED AND ACCEPTED

Prepared / adapted for this site by — I confirm I have adapted this document to the site, scored the risks, and that it describes how the work will actually be done.

PRINTED NAME	ROLE / COMPETENCE	COMPANY	SIGNATURE	DATE	TIME

Accepted for the site by — principal contractor or site manager review.

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Review this RAMS if the work, the site or the law changes, and at least before each new phase of the works. Flatten the completed PDF before filing so the record cannot be silently edited.

R REVISION HISTORY

Every revision of this document, and every review that found nothing to change. The revision on the front of this sheet is the one you are holding — check kubitdocs.com for the current one before use.

Rev	Date	Class	What changed	Authorised by
D0	2026-08-31	first-issue	First issue.	— not yet approved —
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A0	2026-08-31	review	Approved for issue by the author. Content unchanged from the reviewed draft; the draft status strip is removed. No independent third-party review has been carried out.	Author — director, UK principal contractor, SMSTS. Not an independent review.

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