

Level 3 Diploma for Domestic Energy Assessors and Level 4 Diploma for Home Inspectors

Recommended reading list and information sources



BOOKS

Links to: RICS Books - www.ricsbooks.com

Estates Gazette Bookshop - www.book.elsevier.com/estatesgazette

Overview

- Home Inspector's Handbook by Parnham & Rispin. (RICS Books).
- Homebuyer Survey to Home Condition Report by Stephen Callaghan (RICS Books).

Standard Building Construction

- The Construction of Houses by Duncan Marshall (Estates Gazette).
- Construction Technology 1 – House Construction by Riley and Howard. (Palgrave).

Building Pathology and Inspection

- Surveying Buildings (5th Edition) by Malcolm Hollis. (RICS Books).
- Inspections and Reports on Dwellings by Ian Melville (Estates Gazette).
- House Inspector by Duncan Marshall (Estates Gazette).
- Understanding Housing Defects by Duncan Marshall (Estates Gazette).
- Cracking and Building Movement by Dickinson and Thornton (RICS Books)
- Diagnosing Damp by Burkinshaw and Parrett (RICS Books).
- Non-traditional Houses by Harrison, Mullin, Reeves, and Stevens (BRE).
- Inspections and Reports on Dwellings – Assessing Age by Melville and Gordon (Estates Gazette).
- Code of Measuring Practice – RICS Guidance Note (RICS Books).
- Asbestos – RICS Guidance Note (RICS Books)
- Recognising Wood Rot and Insect Damage in Buildings by Braveray, Berry, Carey, and Cooper (BREReport).
- Surveying Safely – Your guide to personal safety at work. (RICS Books).
- Building Regulations (DCLG).
- BRE Digest 251: Assessment of Damage in Low Rise Buildings. BRE – IHS Rapidoc (BRE/ RICS Bookshops).
- Common Defects in Low Rise Traditional Housing. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE /RICS Bookshops).
- Condensation Checklist. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE /RICS Bookshops)
- Connecting Walls and Floors. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE/ RICS Bookshops)
- Cracks caused by Foundation Movement. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE/RICS Bookshops)
- Damage to Buildings Caused by Trees. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE/RICS Bookshops).
- Rising Damp in Walls. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE/ RICS Bookshops).

- Surveying Masonry Chimneys for Repair or Rebuilding. BRE- IHS Rapidoc (BRE/ RICS Bookshops).
- Treating Damp in Basements. BRE- HIS Rapidoc (BRE/ RICS Bookshops).
- Why do Buildings Crack? BRE- HIS Rapidoc (BRE/ RICS Bookshop).
- The Victorian House Manual by Ian Rock. (RICS Books).
- Understanding the Edwardian and Inter-War House by Alan Johnson. (RICS Books).

Building Reinstatement Costs - www.ricsbooks.com

- Building Cost Information Service. (BCIS).
- Guide to House Rebuilding Costs.
- Guide to Flats Rebuilding Costs.

Energy Performance

- RDSAP v3 (RDSAP 2005) - www.rdsap.info or www.faero.org.uk

Building Research Establishment - www.brebookshop.com

- Good Building Guides.
- Good Repair Guides
- BRE Digests.
- BRE Reports.
- BRE Books.

Communities and Local Government (CLG) - www.communities.gov.uk

- Housing Act 2004 (Part V).
- Home Condition Reports - Inspection and Reporting Requirements.
- Building Regulations.
- Housing Legislation and Regulation.

National House Builders Council (NHBC) - www.nhbcbuilder.co.uk/NHBCshop

- Housebuilders Manual.
- Guidance and Information.

Glass and Glazing Federation (GGF) - www.ggf.co.uk

- Glazing Manual.
- Information papers.

Oil Firing Technical Association (OFTEC) - www.oftec.co.uk/publications

- Technical Information for
- Siting of Oil Storage Installations.
- Installing Oil Supply Pipes Underground.
- Domestic Oil Tank Bases Construction and Design.
- Positioning of Flue Terminations. – ETC.

Lead Development Association

- Lead Sheet in Building – Volumes 1 & 2.

Water Regulations Advisory Service (WRAS) - www.wras.co.uk

Technical information for

- Regulations and Byelaws
- Interpretations and advice.
- Publications, etc.

Environmental

- Environment Agency - www.environment-agency.gov.uk
- Homecheck - www.homecheck.co.uk
- Coal Mining
Coal Mining Searches Directory and Guidance (The Law Society) -
www.lawsociety.org.uk/productsandservices/publicationsandgifts.law
- National Radiological Protection Board / Health Protection Agency –Radon
Radon Atlas of England and Wales. - www.hpa.org.uk/radiation