

Carbon Monoxide News

YOU CANNOT SEE IT

YOU CANNOT SMELL IT

YOU CANNOT TASTE IT

Don't let the next headline, be your deadline!



60 seconds that could save a student's life, a video produced by Ray Kemp, highlights the need for students to be CO aware, stating “Carbon monoxide kills. Don't let the next headline be your deadline!”

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a lethal gas that can kill within a few minutes. Gaseous heaters (boilers) and stoves, with a flame, can emit large quantities of CO and should be serviced annually by a qualified gas engineer.

An advisor to ANEC and Consumer Safety International said, “Even if a property has an audible CO alarm fitted, this should not substitute annual servicing.”

A student, who is living in privately rented accommodation, has the right to ask their landlord for a copy of the gas safety certificate.

A spokesperson for London South East Colleges said, “Safety is very important. If a student doesn't see a safety certificate included in their tenant information pack, they shouldn't be afraid to ask their landlord for a copy.”

A landlord has a responsibility to ensure that their property provides a safe living environment for their tenant(s) and that includes gas safety.

As well as being responsible for gas appliances, if a property has an open fire, the landlord should arrange for the chimney to be swept 2 to 4 times each year depending on usage.

If you suspect carbon monoxide, call 112 or the emergency services in your country IMMEDIATELY.



**Prevention
is your only option;
there is no cure!**