

**Summary of updates: Renewable Energy Consumer Code V7****Publication Date: 31 January 2022**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Change</b>
Throughout Code	Reference to Renewable Energy Association changed to The Association For Renewable Energy And Clean Technology (REA)
	Added Related Products to scope where necessary to ensure scope covers standalone battery storage contracts.
	References to Gemserv Ltd changed to The MCS Service Company Ltd
	Remove references to Feed-in Tariff and Renewable Heat Incentive
	Changed vulnerable consumers to <i>consumers in vulnerable circumstances</i> to recognise that consumer vulnerability is situational
	Changed he/she and his/her to they/ their
	References to IDRS Ltd changed to CEDR Ltd
	Minor language and structure changes which do not change the meaning to the Code's requirements.
2.3	Removed 'that have contact with Consumers' from explanation of what a Code Member is to account for 'Commercial Only' Code Members
	MCS certification must now be achieved by Code Members within 3 months of admittance to the Code (change from 6 months)
2.5	Update to list of potential circumstances which could mean someone is vulnerable: personal circumstances (short/long term), disability, ability to understand information presented with.  Added reference to RECC's guidance on consumers in vulnerable circumstances to add clarity to what is expected from Code Members and an obligation for Code Members to consider the guidance when developing own process/training.  Added line to ensure members recognise vulnerability is transient and the obligation to assess potentially vulnerability in all contacts with consumers.
2.6	Added requirement for RECC Logo and CTSI Approved Code Logo to be displayed by Code Member's during their period of Code Membership.
3	Removed text about signing the RECC membership certificate as this is no longer required.
4.3	Added wording to increase clarity about Personal Liability insurance requirements and requirements for technologies to be expressly covered in policy wording
4.4	Added requirement to provide consumers with RECC Use of Personal Data Notice
5.1.1	New section to cover lead generation (no new text added, moved from 2.4 and 3)
5.5.1	Express reference to notification to DNO added to permissions/ approvals section
5.6	Added that RECC leaflet that can be provided to consumers in hardcopy <i>or electronically</i>
6.1.1	Updated to match new MCS 001-1 (V4.2) requirements on sub-contracting
7.4	Section deleted
8.4	Added that all <i>maintenance work</i> should be carried out in accordance with MCS installer standards where relevant
9	Reorder and restructure on whole section to add clarity 10-day timeframe changed to 10 working days
10	Split into 10.1 and 10.2 (10.2 was previously 9.3)
<b>Annex A Definitions</b>	
The following Definitions have been changed:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>'Arbitration' has been changed to 'Independent Arbitration Service'</li> </ul>	

- 'Logo' has been changed to 'RECC Logo'
- 'Domestic Consumer' has been changed to 'An individual acting for purposes that are wholly or mainly outside that individual's trade, business, craft or profession.'
- Added 'Related Product' to definition of 'Micro-business consumer' and 'Lease'

The following Definitions have been added to the Code:

- Advance Payment
- Data Protection Laws
- CTSI Approved Code Logo (with image)
- MCS Certification Body
- MCS Contractor
- MCS Installer Standards

The following Definitions have been removed from the Code:

- Code
- Code Administrator
- Code Member
- Employee
- Energy Source or Convertor
- Installer
- Installer Certification
- Supervisory Panel

**Annex B Types of renewable Energy Sources or Convertors**

Battery Storage Units	Added to section
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