F Gas



RACHP Group Statement

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The B&ES RACHP Group agrees with the main elements of the Commission's proposal and considered the possible impacts and costs that could arise. A number of suggestions were made regarding possible alternative approaches to those in the Commission's proposal, which might provide solutions to address the various issues and concerns identified.

The Group wishes to ensure that the installation, commissioning, servicing and maintenance of systems that contain, or are designed to contain, F Gas is only carried out by trained operatives employed by companies that have company certification. The RACHP Groups therefore supports the options below in order of priority.

- 1. To extend the clarification of "containers", as per the existing F Gas Regulations, to not only include the bottles in which the F gas is stored and transported, but also, within split and multi split systems/units that require installation
- 2. Enforcement of the restrictions to supply F Gas, whether in containers or the units/systems, to untrained operatives and, companies that do not possess company certification.
- **3.** Enforcement and penalties for those companies and sole traders who do not comply with the F Gas Regulation but who continue to carry out F Gas works.
- 4. Ban on pre charged RACHP systems, for split and multi split systems.