



Health & Safety

CDM Regulations

The regulations regarding Health & Safety in construction apply to all construction projects. These are called the CDM Regulations. The regulations require certain projects to be notified to the Health & Safety Executive – these would be projects lasting 30 days or more and/or involving more than 300 man-days working on the construction. Any less than that, or if the project is for a domestic client (i.e. a homeowner), the project does not have to be notified.

When a project is notifiable the client is responsible for appointing a CDM Co-ordinator, who oversees the health and safety aspects of the project. Your architect will advise you on your legal obligations and cannot proceed with the project if you ignore them.

However, the Regulations still require that the Client engages competent people and organisations, with adequate resources, and is generally responsible for ensuring adequate Health and Safety management during the project.