

**Complaints Handling Procedure** 





# E (Gas and Electricity) Ltd Complaints Handling Procedure

We are committed to ensuring we offer the highest level of customer service at all times, however we do recognise that things can sometimes go wrong. Where this has happened, we are committed to investigating and doing our utmost to put the situation right for you as quickly as possible.

We define a complaint as 'any expression of dissatisfaction by a customer in relation to our service or products' and our aim is to resolve all complaints fully and as quickly as possible.

Our representatives are thoroughly trained to deal with any possible enquiry or situation that may arise and we do have guaranteed standards of service you can expect from us.

# Our contact details should you need them:



Contact us on Our webform www.e.org/help



Call us on 0333 103 9575 Monday - Friday 8am - 8pm Saturday 9am - 5pm



Email us at Customerservice@e.org



Write to us at E,T3 Trinity Park Birmingham B37 7ES





# Our process to resolving your complaint

### Step 1

Contact our Customer Service Team with your complaint. Our aim is to resolve your complaint at the time of the first contact (where appropriate and possible). A record will be made on your account of any conversations and resolution reached.

If we need to collect more information or make some investigations into the issues raised we will arrange further contact with you. At this time we will provide you with a unique complaint reference number.

### Step 2

If you feel that your complaint has not been handled to your satisfaction, you may ask for a review by a manager. Subject to availability, a member of our management team will discuss the issue with you between the hours of 8 am to 8 pm Monday to Friday.

We will endeavour to respond to you within 2 working days, identifying necessary steps that we believe are required to resolve your complaint. This may include an explanation, apology and/or details of any actions we have taken to resolve the complaint.

## Step 3

If you are not happy with the response from our Customer Service Team, you can contact our Complaints Team directly at customer.complaints@e.org, where our representatives will aim to resolve your complaint and respond within 10 working days.

### Step 4

If we have told you that there is nothing more that we can do to resolve the complaint to your satisfaction, we will issue a 'Deadlock' letter'. You may choose to then escalate this complaint to Ombudsman Services: Energy.

Ombudsman Services: Energy are a free and independent service whose remit is to resolve customer complaints in an impartial way. Once a complaint has been passed to Ombudsman Services: Energy they will then investigate the issue on your behalf. You are not bound by their ruling and can seek further advice if you feel it would be appropriate. You can also refer your complaint to Ombudsman Services: Energy if the complaint has not been resolved within 8 weeks of the start date of the complaint.

Any decision the Ombudsman makes is binding on our Company however, not on you therefore, you can decline their offer and seek further advice. You may however, be referred back to E if you have not followed the Complaints Handling Procedure identified above.



# Potential outcomes from your complaint



When able to resolve your complaint we will:

- · apologise for the issue and the fact you have had to contact us to have your complaint resolved
- · resolve your issue and where possible, explain what went wrong
- · consider if a goodwill payment is appropriate as part of the resolution to your complaint

## **Complaint performance**

You can check our current complaint performance here:

View our Quarterly Complaints Performance

View our Annual Complaints Performance

## **Contact Ombudsman Services: Energy**

#### Post:

Ombudsman Services: Energy,

PO Box 966,

Warrington,

WA4 9DF

Phone: 0330 440 1624

Email: enquiries@os-energy.org

Website: www.ombudsman-services.org/sectors/energy

### **Further Support**

### **Energy Saving Advice**

For energy efficiency advice, visit www.e.org/saving-energy or the Energy Saving Trust www.energysavingtrust.org.uk

### **Warm Home Discount**

We are pleased to Offer the Warm Home Discount. More information on this years Warm Home Discount scheme will be available over the coming months so please Check our website for updates.

#### **Please Remember**

It may be worth switching your tariff at this time; please contact us for a tariff review.

#### **Our Priority Services Register**

Our Priority Services Register provides you with access to a range of helpful and accessible services, with no extra cost to you. If you, or someone in your household is of pensionable age, disabled, has a long term illness, rely on electrically powered medical or mobility equipment or have children under the age of 5, then you may be eligible for the Priority Services Register. Please contact us for more information.

### **Get Help with an Energy Problem**

Contact Citizens Advice if you need help with an energy problem - for example with your bills or meters, or if you're struggling to pay for the energy you use. They're the Official source of free and independent energy advice and support. Go to: citizensadvice.org.uk/energy or call their consumer service on 0808 223 1133. Calls are free.

- Citizens Advice 'Know your rights'
- Citizens Advice 'Know your rights' (Welsh)

### StepChange Debt Charity

StepChange has more than 25 years' experience in providing free, expert debt advice. No matter how large or small your debt problem is, they can help. They'll look at your financial situation, give you expert advice and recommend debt solutions to suit your situation. They can also help you set up and support your chosen solution.