

Looking more closely at Planned Preventative Maintenance (PPM)

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It is easy in life to leave important tasks to the last minute. Days are busy, schedules are full and time is short. That thing you needed fixing? It can wait until tomorrow. And sometimes, it can. Until it can't anymore and then you've got more than one problem.

This approach can signal disaster for your business. In contrast, planned preventative maintenance can help you avoid these pitfalls. Let's look at it in more detail.

What exactly is PPM?

Planned preventative maintenance is a term that describes how to be proactive, by scheduling maintenance work before it's urgently required.

If you take this type of approach to your property inspections and anything that needs repairing, you are using a preventative measure to stop any future problems or disasters in their tracks.

Leeds-based Volta Compliance keeps companies compliant in all aspects of their premises' electrical installations. This includes PPM: planned inspections, on-going testing and safety checks. The result is to ensure they operate in accordance with the latest regulations and their work team and visitors stay safe.

This approach has a number of benefits:

- Improved safety - Keeping your employees and equipment safe at work is an important motivation. Ensuring equipment is serviced, staff are trained and regulations are followed can improve health and safety and avoid potential problems.

- Insurance policy – Work hours can be used much more effectively and savings made, as issues can be pre-empted before any failures happen.
- Effective departmental working – Your business can have many different services and departments. From power, heating, cleaning and security services to the different departments and teams that make up the company, it takes a lot of organisation to run a business. PPM can help you do this, ensuring an effective working environment by preventing interruptions or delays.
- Staying on top of compliance – PPM is the best way of staying up to date with your inspections, tests and regulations, so you will never be caught out with out-of-date paperwork, uncertified working practices or non-compliant equipment.
- Budget control – PPM allows for better visibility of your inventory, giving your business a much financially healthier chance, as you can budget more effectively.

How to keep up with PPM

To make sure that you are on track with your planned preventative maintenance, remember that the devil is in the detail.

- Be aware of every element of your business that will need maintenance and know your vulnerable areas.
- Create a plan for [preventative measures](#) for each area.
- Put in place a well-thought-out, easy-to-follow schedule for maintenance. This will help things happen when they're supposed to and ensure that compliance is followed.
- Use key people across departments to be responsible for elements of PPM. This will mean you can create a support team to ensure everything is coordinated well and nothing is missed.
- Ensure you are following clear guidelines on the regulations for your industry and the [inspection and testing](#) you will need.

Finding a PPM contractor for your needs

Volta Compliance helps businesses throughout Yorkshire to solve problems before they arise. With a fully qualified team of electricians, they can guide you through preventative measures to save costs and minimise disruption to your workplace.

To get started on planned preventative maintenance, call Volta Compliance on 0113 397 1361 or email info@voltacompliance.com and we'll be in touch shortly.