

Energy assessor sparks interest ahead of new ESOS phase

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Firms seeking to benefit from the latest stage of a Government scheme designed to drive down costs and reduce carbon emissions can get ahead of the game thanks to a forward-thinking energy audit specialist.

The fourth phase of the Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS) is on the horizon — with the deadline for Action Plan submissions set for December 5.

And sector leader [Green Zone Surveys](#) is in pole position to streamline a process aimed at reducing UK emissions by 78 per cent come 2035, on the journey towards a net zero future.

“We understand that there’s a lot to get to grips with when it comes to the issue of compliance around ESOS,” says Ben Palmer, Green Zone Surveys’ Technical Manager.

“It can be a daunting process but it needn’t be. We are set up to help firms submit their new Action Plans ahead of the December 5 deadline and that includes navigating the new MESOS portal.

“Green Zone Surveys were lead assessors on the portal and so we’re perfectly positioned to steer firms through the upload efficiently and effectively.

“It’s also important to say that any energy audits done now will count towards ESOS Phase 4 final submissions.

“The deadline for the fourth phase is December 2027 — it might seem like a long way off but our advice is to prepare well in advance.”

Ben and the Green Zone Surveys team use their industry-leading [GreenAudit software](#) to identify the best solutions for clients keen to maximise their energy efficiency.

And assisting with ESOS submissions is central to a longstanding commitment to assist firms in reducing

carbon emissions and making energy savings across the board.

A shift in focus from previous stages of ESOS will see Phase 3 and 4 Action Plans made public and companies will be held accountable for meeting stated targets.

“If, in the past, ESOS was seen by some as little more than a box ticking exercise then that’s changed,” adds Ben.

“One previous route to compliance, Display Energy Certificates (DECs), is no longer an option.

“Those companies that used this route — and which don’t have ISO 50001 that covers 95 per cent of their business — will have to use energy audits for future ESOS compliance.

“I’d really encourage those companies to talk to us now and avoid the cliff edge of the December 5 deadline.”

Non-financial benefits around ESOS compliance include:

- Improved workforce conditions
- Product quality
- Staff productivity and wellbeing
- Customer experience
- Maintenance and fault detection
- Reduced noise from production lines.

Green Zone can provide ongoing advice around ESOS-specific project timings, constraints, risks and mitigations, best practice guidance, sources of support (government grants etc.) and supporting the person responsible for receiving ESOS assessment.

Ben and the team work with clients throughout the UK and Ireland to provide a full range of competitively-priced building compliance and energy assessment services.

Green Zone Surveys has impacted the sector for more than 10 years and is the preferred partner of many leading facilities management and HVAC companies.