

Ventilation System Cleaning

Prevention and management of Sick Building Syndrome

Sick Building Syndrome is the name given to a range of health issues which can affect workers in indoor environments. Symptoms of this can be employees complaining of fatigue, headaches or irritation as a consequence of a poorly ventilated building and poorly maintained ventilation systems.

Air conditioning and HVAC installations are now commonplace in many business premises and the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 provides a detailed list of requirements for employers. One of these requirements specifically relates to the ventilation of workspaces and the need to provide fresh air to workers via natural or mechanical means.

There is a legal obligation to ensure that these systems are maintained sufficiently to minimize airborne contamination and reduce the health and safety risks associated.



The regular programme of ductwork inspections, cleaning and maintenance and prevention of sick building syndrome offered by IWS has the following advantages:

- Improved workplace health and well-being
- Improved employee comfort and productivity
- Improved air flow efficiency
- Energy saving implications
- Compliance with regulations
- Compliance with insurance requirements
- Photographic report

All of our Legionella risk assessments are completed by City and Guilds qualified, competent and experienced professionals, in accordance with LB HSG274, British Standard BS 8580 and UKAS ISO/IEC 17020:2012.

Monthly Public Health England Report

Public Health England provides a monthly report detailing the number of cases of confirmed Legionnaires disease. This helps to identify sources of infection so that control measures can be kept up to standard and improved on: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/legionnaires-disease-monthly-surveillance-reports-2019>

