## Jail term following immediately dangerous works

An unregistered engineer has been jailed after carrying out unsafe plumbing work at a property in Bacton, Norfolk.

## In Court

Norwich Crown Court heard how Christopher Johnson was contracted by the householder to install gas pipework, a gas cooker, gas hob and gas fire. The work took place in the summer of 2016. After several gas leaks occurred, the householder contacted Gas Safe Register who inspected the work.



The installations were classified by Gas Safe Register as 'Immediately Dangerous' and 'At Risk'.

Johnson had previously been prosecuted for similar offences in 2012 and 2013. He also falsified a Gas Safe registration number on invoices for the work.

An investigation by the HSE alongside Gas Safe Register (GSR) found Johnson was not registered or competent to do the work.

## Sentencing

Christopher David Johnson of Kings Lynn, Norfolk pleaded guilty to breaching Section 3 (2) of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974. He also pleaded guilty to breaching Regulations 3 (1) and 3 (3) of the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998.

Johnson was sentenced to 14 months in prison.

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