

# A tenant's guide to Surge Protection Devices (SPDs)

Some modern consumer units may have SPDs installed in them to help protect parts of the installations from surge damage. Ashfield District Council has decided to install these to help protect our more expensive equipment such as electric heaters, gas boilers and ventilation units.

**SPD's may also provide protection to some electrical appliances, but Ashfield District Council will not accept any liability for damage to any items due to devices failing or not functioning.**

The devices have a visual indicator (often a clear or green window) which turns red when the devices must be replaced (if unsure please check with the Council or seek advice from the device manufacture). Ashfield District Council will check on occasions such as Property and Health and Safety Checks and Electrical Installation Works, but to ensure the SPD is protecting your own appliances you must check and report if the device is displaying a red window.



**A consumer unit containing an SPD**