READING THE MINOR WORKS CERTIFICATE

WHAT GETS RECORDED ABOUT THE NEW SOCKETS' RCD?

> **Rule for "what gets recorded" questions**
> Go to the **form itself** in GN3 section 5 and read the boxes. The answer is often printed right there.

Q6Knowledge + form
(The café) What's recorded on the Minor Works certificate about the additional protection for the new sockets?

1. **a**The RCD type
2. **b**The AFDD rating
3. **c**The SPD type
4. **d**The OCPD rating

Answer a. The certificate here is a **Minor Works** certificate. When you see **"additional protection"**, think of two things:

- **Supplementary bonding**: you'll come across a lot of it, but it's rarely installed now. It isn't relevant to adding sockets.
- **30 mA RCDs**: the common one. Only an RCD of **30 mA or less** counts as additional protection (in practice, 30 mA). Reg **411.3.3** requires it for socket-outlets.

The Minor Works certificate has a place to record the **RCD**, including its **type**.

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BS 7671 · Reg **411.3.3** · additional protection for socket-outlets

> **On 411.3.3**
> The regulation covers socket-outlets rated **up to 32 A**. Under Amendment 4 the only exception is for sockets that **ordinary people and children aren't liable to use**, backed by a **documented risk assessment** done with a skilled person involved. In an exam, "new sockets" still means think 30 mA RCD.

Q7Book (form)
On an EICR, what does the main protective conductors box ask for?

1. **a**Location and material
2. **b**Length and csa
3. **c**Material and csa
4. **d**Location and length

Answer c. Open the EICR. It has a box headed **main protective conductors** asking for the **material** and **cross-sectional area (csa)**.

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