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**WHERE ARE OBSTACLES RULED OUT?**

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Both measures are ruled out in some **special locations**, and that is where the exam questions come from.

| LOCATIONS TO KNOW |
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| Rooms containing a **bath or shower** |
| **Swimming pools** |
| **Saunas** |

**Part 7 of BS 7671 lists the special locations.**

The specific restriction for each one lives there, and it combines with what Guidance Note 3 says. If a question rules out a protective measure, Part 7 is where the answer is.

## THE PROTECTIVE MEASURES TABLE

**Guidance Note 3** sets the protective measures out in a table. Highlight it and tab it.

| PROTECTIVE MEASURE | | WHERE IN THE BOOK |
|---|---|---|
| **Double or reinforced insulation** | Class II | p.35 |
| **Electrical separation** | One item of equipment from an isolating source | |
| **SELV / PELV** | Extra-low voltage systems | Several places, including the test tables |
| **Protective provisions** | The rest of the measures the table lists | |
| **Obstacles, placing out of reach** | For **skilled people** only, with controlled or supervised access | p.36 |

**Worth tabbing.**

If a question describes a situation and asks which protective measure applies, this table is where you look — do not answer from memory.

**IP ratings barely appear in this book.**



**Guidance Note 3**

· p.34 is one of the few places IP ratings around consumer units, enclosures and barriers are mentioned at all. Highlight the top of that page.

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