

With effect from 2nd February 2009 the Joint Industry Boards for the Plumbing Industry in England & Wales (JIB-PMES) and for Scotland & Northern Ireland (SNIJIB) have established a joint body called the **UK Plumbing Heating & Mechanical Engineering Services (UK-PHMES) Registration Scheme**.

The new Joint Scheme continues to be affiliated to the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS).

The objectives and advantages of the new JOINT UK-PHMES Registration Scheme will be to:

- Standardise the criteria and procedures for the issue of Plumbing JIB/CSCS Registration Cards in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and use a common design.
- Implement a common and mutually recognised Grading Structure, based on NVQS/SVQS, as an intrinsic and simultaneous part of the Registration Card process with “Plumber” being the basic Grade.
- Promote awareness of Health & Safety in the industry, applying testing where necessary, so that PHMES operatives will always endeavour to undertake their duties in a competent and safe manner.
- Support the introduction of a SMART CARD to reduce fraud and to protect identity.

Both Joint Industry Boards are committed to improving the levels of competence and professionalism of plumbing operatives and apprentices working in the plumbing, heating and mechanical engineering services Industries. Operatives who hold a current UK Plumbing, Heating & Mechanical Engineering Services Registration Scheme Card must also have completed a CSCS approved Health & Safety test which means they can undertake their duties in a safe and competent manner.

Common grading definitions

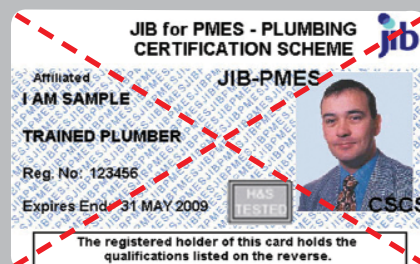
The formation of the Joint Scheme will also result in the unification of grading definitions throughout England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. As a consequence, the definition ‘Trained Plumber’ will be replaced by ‘Plumber’ (to be the basic Grade) and ‘Technical Plumber’ will be replaced by ‘Plumbing Technician’. A full list of the revised grading definitions for all craft operative categories is in the course of preparation and will be published early in 2009.

New look cards

As from **2nd February 2009**, the **UK-PHMES CSCS Registration Scheme Card** will be introduced to implement the joint UK Plumbing, Heating & Mechanical Engineering Services CSCS affiliated Registration Scheme. Examples of the new and the existing card designs are shown below.



New UK-PHMES Registration Scheme Card



OLD Existing JIB-PMES/CSCS Scheme Card

The Joint UK-PHMES scheme cards will be identical, apart from the JIB logo on the front bottom left of the card. A **BLUE** background will indicate that the card was issued by the JIB-PMES and a **RED** background that it was issued by the SNIJIB; with the appropriate contact details for the respective JIB being on the reverse of the card.

ONLY The new Joint UK Registration Scheme cards will be available from 2nd February 2009. While the existing JIB-PMES/CSCS cards will still remain valid until their expiry date, old style cards will not be issued thereafter. Existing registration scheme card holders with a **CURRENT, VALID** card (i.e. a card which has not expired) may, if they choose, exchange and replace their current card for a new Joint UK Scheme Card at a cost of £5.00. To obtain a new style card, simply complete the **APPLICATION FORM OVERLEAF** amending any existing details where necessary and return it to the JIB-PMES in the prepaid envelope provided.

Current scheme members who do not replace their cards will automatically receive the new style card design at the time they renew their Registration scheme membership in the usual manner.

HOW TO APPLY

Enter your name, address and other personal details on this page.

- Provide a passport-size colour photograph of yourself.
- Write your name and National Insurance number clearly on the back of the photograph.
- Attach the photograph to this form in the space provided.

Upon satisfactory completion of this form and appropriate payment, you will receive your new style UK-PHMES registration card.

If you have any queries about this form or how to complete it, please refer to the JIB-PMES website (www.jib-pmes.org.uk), or call 0800 197 1060 for assistance.

Section 1

Your Details

Name

Address

Employer (If employed, please provide the following details of your employer).

Employer Address

National Insurance Number

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Date of Birth

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<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

CSCS Registration Number:

Type of card:

Unite the Union membership number:

Card expiry date:

Please tick the relevant boxes below:

- One colour passport size photo is enclosed Registration update fee of £5 is enclosed

Employment Status (Your employment status will not affect the renewal of your registration card)

- Employed Self Employed Agency Employed Unemployed Retired

Please return this Form and Registration Fee in the enclosed prepaid envelope. Please make Cheques or Postal Orders payable to: The JIB-PMES

JIB-PMES, P.O. Box 267, St. Neots PE19 9DN Helpdesk: 0800197 1060 E-mail: info@jib-pmes.org.uk

Signed

Please attach your photograph here (remember to write your name and NI number on the back)