

# TNB Customer Guide

## Before You Install an EV Home Charger

Congratulations for deciding to buy an Electric Vehicle (EV)!  
 Here are the steps you need to know before installing an EV Home Charger.

### Step 1: Consult an Expert



Get a qualified ST-registered contractor to:

- (a) Check internal wiring & Distribution Board (DB)
- (b) Assess electrical load capacity for EV charging
- (c) Confirm supply scheme and determine total load requirement (including EV charger):
  - **Single Phase** → Supports **load up to 10kW**
  - **Three Phase** → Supports **load above 10kW**

Their assessment determines whether internal upgrades or/and TNB supply upgrade are needed

### Step 2: If Wiring Upgrade is Required



#### A. Installer/ Non TNB work

Your expert may recommend internal upgrades such as:

- Wiring improvements
- New main circuit breakers (MCB) or RCD for safety
- DB enhancements or safety protection devices

**Note: All internal wiring and safety upgrades must be handled by your certified installer**

#### B : Inform TNB

Your home may require changes to the electricity supply

- To upgrade from Single Phase to Three Phase Wiring, only TNB can process and approve supply upgrades.
- For more information and how to apply, please refer to myTNB Portal



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### Good to Know

#### 1. EV Charger Installation & Wiring Requirements

- Charger must be ST-approved (COA Regulation 97)
- EV Charger Installer must be ST-registered and competent person/company (Electricity Supply Act 1990, Act 447)
- No Mode 1<sup>1</sup> charging allowed. Only Mode 2<sup>2</sup> or Mode 3<sup>3</sup> (AC Type 2) is permitted
- Wiring : Minimum wiring size: 6mm<sup>2</sup>. Upgrade to 10mm<sup>2</sup> if wiring is exposed to sunlight. Socket installation height:  $\geq 1.2\text{m}$ . Install RCD<sup>5</sup>/GFCI<sup>6</sup> + surge protection

#### 2. Safety tips after installation

- Perform regular inspections and maintenance
- Avoid extension cords and wall sockets (13A)
- Keep Class C<sup>4</sup> fire extinguisher nearby



Notes:

1. Mode 1 - Direct Wall Socket
2. Mode 2 - Wall Socket with Safety Box
3. Mode 3 - Wall Mounted EV Charger with Cabling from Home Electrical Distribution Box

4. Class C - Fire Extinguisher for Electrical Equipment
5. RCD = Residual Current Device
6. GFCI = Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter