

The Carbon Test

Score 2 points for each yes or agree, 1 point if you are planning it and 0 points for each no or disagree

Action	Score
1. I have low energy lighting throughout my home – or nearly	
2. The electricity supplied to my house is from a renewable tariff	
3. I know what my personal (or family) carbon footprint is	
4. I am eating less meat and processed food and buying local food where possible	
5. At work we have signed a corporate commitment to tackle climate change	
6. We know the carbon footprint of our offices and other buildings we control	
7. At work we are tackling the easy things that provide good carbon and financial savings, e.g. turning off appliances, less travel to meetings	
8. We have a designated senior climate change champion in the organisation	
9. Staff receive regular briefings on climate change and most know why it is a key issue for this organisation	
10. We are actively reducing our 'commute to work' carbon footprint	
11. We have a renewable energy project within the organisation	
12. We work with our suppliers and partners to ensure that the things we buy and the services we provide are as low-carbon as possible	
13. We explain to our stakeholders, customers and the communities we serve why climate change is a top priority for us	
14. We are pointing our stakeholders and/or community towards advice and support, e.g. the Energy Saving Trust	
15. We actively promote and support renewable energy in the wider community	
16. We champion the idea of 'low carbon futures' within our local partnerships and collaborate with partners to decarbonise our community	
TOTAL SCORE	

0-8 points: Runaway climate change: You've got the opportunity to plan a cohesive strategy from scratch. You need to start right now.

9-15 points: CO₂ still rising: You've made a good start! Fill the gaps with action on the questions you answered 'no' to.

16-23 points: Approaching CO₂ stability: It's going well, but there are still some issues you haven't dealt with yet. Continuing putting your plans into action.

24-32 points: CO₂ reduction: Wow! Now's the time to shout about what you've achieved so far, share that expertise and help and inspire others to match your results. Why not aim for some of the big and exciting stuff?