



# Environment (Air Quality and Soundscapes) (Wales) Act 2024

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### ENVIRONMENT (AIR QUALITY AND SOUNDSCAPES) (WALES) ACT 2024

#### **PART 1**

#### AIR QUALITY

#### **CHAPTER 1**

#### NATIONAL TARGETS

- 1 Air quality targets: general
- 2 Air quality targets: particulate matter
- 3 Target-setting process
- 4 Effect of targets
- 5 Reporting on targets
- 6 Review of targets
- 7 Monitoring progress towards meeting targets
- 8 Maintaining air quality standards
- 9 Reporting in relation to section 1

#### **CHAPTER 2**

#### OTHER PROVISION

##### *Promoting awareness*

- 10 Promoting awareness about air pollution

##### *Promoting active travel*

- 11 Promoting active travel as a way of reducing or limiting air pollution

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### *National air quality strategy*

- 12 Power to change review period for strategy
- 13 Consultation on review of strategy
- 14 Duty to have regard to strategy

### *Air quality regulations*

- 15 Consultation on air quality regulations

### *Local air quality management*

- 16 Local authority air quality reviews
- 17 Action plans in relation to air quality management areas
- 18 Welsh Ministers' powers of direction

### *Smoke control*

- 19 Regulation of smoke and fuel in smoke control areas
- 20 Guidance for local authorities in relation to smoke control areas
- 21 Further provision relating to smoke control

### *Vehicle emissions*

- 22 Trunk road charging schemes
- 23 Further provision relating to trunk road charging schemes
- 24 Stationary idling offence: fixed penalty

## **PART 2**

### **SOUNDSCAPES**

#### *National soundscapes strategy*

- 25 National strategy on soundscapes
- 26 Duty to have regard to national strategy on soundscapes

#### *Strategic noise maps and noise action plans*

- 27 Power to change cycles for making strategic noise maps and reviewing noise action plans

## **PART 3**

### **GENERAL**

- 28 Power to make consequential, transitional etc. provision
- 29 Regulations
- 30 Coming into force
- 31 Short title

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## **SCHEDULE 1 — SMOKE CONTROL**

### **PART 1 — FURTHER PROVISION IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL PENALTIES**

- 1 The Clean Air Act 1993 (c. 11) is amended as...
- 2 In the heading of Schedule 1A, after “IN ENGLAND” insert...

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- 3 In paragraph 1 of Schedule 1A (key definitions)—
- 4 In paragraph 3 of Schedule 1A (amount of penalty)—
- 5 In paragraph 4 of Schedule 1A (right to object to...
- 6 In paragraph 5 of Schedule 1A (decision regarding a final...
- 7 In paragraph 6 of Schedule 1A (final notice), in sub-paragraph...  
PART 2 — EXPENDITURE ON OLD PRIVATE DWELLINGS
- 8 The Clean Air Act 1993 (c. 11) is amended as...
- 9 In Schedule 2 (smoke control orders: expenditure on old private...  
PART 3 — MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS AND  
REPEALS
- 10 Clean Air Act 1993 (c. 11)
- 11 In section 18 (declaration of smoke control area by local...
- 12 Sections 20 to 23 (including the italic headings above sections...
- 13 In section 24 (power of local authority to require adaptation...
- 14 In section 26 (power of local authority to make grants...
- 15 In section 27 (references to adaptations for avoiding contraventions of...
- 16 In section 29 (interpretation of Part 3)—
- 17 In section 45 (exemption for purposes of investigations and research)  
—...
- 18 In section 51 (duty to notify occupiers of offences)—
- 19 In section 61 (joint exercise of local authority functions), in...
- 20 In section 63 (regulations and orders)— (a) in subsection (2),...
- 21 In Schedule 1 (coming into operation of smoke control orders)—...
- 22 In Schedule 5 (transitional provisions)— (a) after paragraph 12 insert  
—...
- 23 Environment Act 2021 (c. 30)

#### SCHEDULE 2 — TRUNK ROAD CHARGING SCHEMES: APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS

- 1 The Transport Act 2000 (c. 38) is amended as follows...
- 2 In paragraph 2(4) of Schedule 12 (financial provision about road...
- 3 In paragraph 3(2) of that Schedule, in the opening words,...
- 4 In the cross-heading before paragraph 13 of that Schedule, omit...
- 5 In paragraph 13 of that Schedule— (a) in sub-paragraph (1),...
- 6 After paragraph 13 of that Schedule insert— Application of proceeds...
- 7 In section 197 (Part 3: regulations and orders)—

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