
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Regional Flood and Coastal Committees
(England and Wales) Regulations 2011**

PART 3

Establishment of Regional Flood and Coastal Committees

Composition of Committees

6.—(1) The composition of a Regional Flood and Coastal Committee is to consist of—

- (a) a chair appointed by the Minister;
- (b) persons appointed by or on behalf of—
 - (i) a constituent authority,
 - (ii) a constituent authority representing a group of constituent authorities, or
 - (iii) a group of constituent authorities; and
- (c) persons appointed by the Agency.

(2) A group of constituent authorities must agree which constituent authority is to appoint a member under paragraph (1)(b)(ii).

(3) If the group of constituent authorities fails to agree which constituent authority is to appoint a member, the Minister may decide which constituent authority is to appoint the member.

Number of members of Committees

7.—(1) The total number of members of each Regional Flood and Coastal Committee must—

- (a) be at least 11; and
- (b) not exceed 25 or any higher number that the Minister approves.

(2) The total number of members appointed under regulation 6(1)(c) must not exceed 11 or any higher number that the Minister approves.

(3) The Agency may not issue a levy to constituent authorities in a region for a financial year unless the total number of members appointed under regulation 6(1)(b) is at least one more than the sum of the number of members appointed under regulations 6(1)(a) and (c).

Publication of composition document

8.—(1) A Regional Flood and Coastal Committee is established for a region when the Agency publishes a document specifying—

- (a) the region for which the Committee is established; and
- (b) the composition of the Committee.

(2) The Agency may not publish a document under paragraph (1) (“composition document”) unless the composition of the Committee has been approved by the Minister.

(3) The Minister may require a change to the proposed composition of a Committee before approving the composition.

(4) The Agency must publish a composition document for each region before 1st December 2011.

Variation of composition of a Committee

9.—(1) Before 1st December in any financial year, the Agency may, on its own initiative or at the request of a Regional Flood and Coastal Committee, vary the composition of the Committee.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), a variation takes effect when the Agency publishes a document specifying the matters mentioned in regulation 8(1).

(3) The variation does not take effect unless—

(a) the Agency has—

(i) consulted with interested persons for a period of not less than 6 weeks in relation to the variation to the composition of the Committee, and

(ii) taken account of any representations; and

(b) the varied composition has been approved by the Minister.

(4) The Minister may require a change to the proposed varied composition of a Committee before approving the varied composition.

(5) The Agency may not issue a levy to constituent authorities in a region for a financial year if the composition of the Committee for that region is varied on or after 1st December in the financial year preceding that for which the levy is issued.

Constituent authority contacts

10.—(1) Before 1st December in any financial year, the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee must obtain from each constituent authority in its region the name and contact details for a person authorised by the constituent authority to liaise with the Committee in relation to the business of the Committee (“official contact details”).

(2) The Regional Flood and Coastal Committee must keep a list of the official contact details for all constituent authorities in its region.

(3) As soon as is practicable after any change to the official contact details for a constituent authority, the constituent authority must inform the Committee of the change.