

*These notes refer to the Reservoirs Act (Northern Ireland)
2015 (c.8) which received Royal Assent on 24 July 2015*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 – Requirements for high consequence and medium consequence reservoirs

Supervision by supervising engineer

Section 31 – Inspection timing: reservoir subject to pre-commencement inspection report

The first special case is where a reservoir manager of a high or medium consequence reservoir has had an inspection of the reservoir undertaken prior to the Act being commenced and the Department is satisfied that the report is a pre-commencement inspection report.

Where the report recommends inspection within 10 years of the inspection to which it relates, the reservoir manager must have an inspection carried out at the time recommended in the report, (Subsection (2)).

Where the report does not contain a recommendation as to when the next inspection is to be undertaken, subsection (4) requires the reservoir manager to have the inspection carried out within 10 years of the inspection to which the report relates.

Where a supervising engineer recommends an earlier inspection of the reservoir, however, (section 26(3) refers) this would supersede any inspection due under subsection (2) or (4).