

Forestry Act 1979

1979 CHAPTER 21

2 Metrication of measurements.

- (1) The Forestry Act 1967 is amended as shown in Schedule 1 to this Act (the amendments being to substitute metric units of measurement throughout the Act).
- (2) The Forestry Commissioners may by regulations amend enactments to which this subsection applies so as to substitute—
 - (a) for any reference to a number of acres, a reference to a number of hectares;
 - (b) for any reference to a number of feet, a reference to a number of metres; and
 - (c) for any requirement that plans be made on the scale of 3 chains to an inch, a requirement that they be made on the scale of 1:2,500;

and for this purpose "number" includes a number less than unity.

- (3) Subsection (2) applies to any enactment contained in an Act (whether public general, local or private) relating to particular forest lands in England and Wales.
- (4) Before malting any such regulations, the Commissioners shall consult such persons and organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be affected.
- (5) The regulations—
 - (a) may contain such incidental, supplementary and consequential provisions (if any) as the Commissioners consider expedient; and
 - (b) shall be made by statutory instrument subject to annulment by resolution of either House of Parliament.