



Building Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 55

PART I

BUILDING REGULATIONS

Consultation

14 Consultation with Building Regulations Advisory Committee and other bodies.

- ^{F1}(1) The Secretary of State shall appoint a committee, to be known as the Building Regulations Advisory Committee for England, for the purpose of advising the Secretary of State on the exercise of the Secretary of State's power to make building regulations, and on other subjects connected with building regulations.]
- (2) The Secretary of State may pay such expenses incurred by members of the Building Regulations Advisory Committee [^{F2}for England] as he may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine.
- (3) Before making any building regulations containing substantive requirements, the Secretary of State shall consult the Building Regulations Advisory Committee [^{F2}for England] and such other bodies as appear to him to be representative of the interests concerned.
- ^{F3}[(4) Before making any building regulations containing provision of the kind authorised by paragraph 11(1)(c) of Schedule 1 to this Act, the Secretary of State shall consult—
- (a) the Building Regulations Advisory Committee [^{F4}for England],
 - (b) such persons or bodies as appear to him to be representative of local authorities [^{F5}in England], and
 - (c) such other bodies as appear to him to be representative of the interests concerned.]
- ^{F6}(5) The Welsh Ministers shall appoint a committee, to be known as the Building Regulations Advisory Committee for Wales, for the purpose of advising them on the

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exercise of their power to make building regulations, and on other subjects connected with building regulations.

- (6) The Welsh Ministers may pay such expenses incurred by members of the Building Regulations Advisory Committee for Wales as the Welsh Ministers may determine.
- (7) Before making any building regulations containing substantive requirements, the Welsh Ministers shall consult the Building Regulations Advisory Committee for Wales and such other bodies as appear to them to be representative of the interests concerned.
- (8) Before making any building regulations containing provision of the kind authorised by paragraph 11(1)(c) of Schedule 1 to this Act, the Welsh Ministers shall consult—
 - (a) the Building Regulations Advisory Committee for Wales,
 - (b) such persons or bodies as appear to them to be representative of local authorities in Wales, and
 - (c) such other bodies as appear to them to be representative of the interests concerned.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 14(1) substituted (31.12.2011) by [Welsh Ministers \(Transfer of Functions\) \(No.2\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3019\)](#), arts. 1(2), **8(2)**
- F2** Words in s. 14(2)(3) inserted (31.12.2011) by [Welsh Ministers \(Transfer of Functions\) \(No.2\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3019\)](#), arts. 1(2), **8(3)**
- F3** S. 14(4) inserted (3.11.1994) by [1994 c. 40, s. 32\(2\)](#)
- F4** Words in s. 14(4)(a) inserted (31.12.2011) by [Welsh Ministers \(Transfer of Functions\) \(No.2\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3019\)](#), arts. 1(2), **8(4)(a)**
- F5** Words in s. 14(4)(b) inserted (31.12.2011) by [Welsh Ministers \(Transfer of Functions\) \(No.2\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3019\)](#), arts. 1(2), **8(4)(b)**
- F6** S. 14(5)-(8) inserted (31.12.2011) by [Welsh Ministers \(Transfer of Functions\) \(No.2\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3019\)](#), arts. 1(2), **8(5)**

15 Consultation with fire authority.

- (1) Where, in the case of a requirement as to—
 - (a) structural fire precautions,
 - (b) the provision of means of escape from buildings in case of fire, or
 - (c) the provision of means for securing that such means of escape can be safely and effectively used at all material times,

contained in building regulations, the power to dispense with or relax that requirement conferred by section 8(1) above is by virtue of section 8(2) above exercisable by a local authority, or a public body proposes to exercise the power conferred on it by section 8(4) above, the local authority or public body, if they are not the [^{F7}fire and rescue authority], shall before exercising the power in relation to any premises or proposed premises consult the [^{F7}fire and rescue authority].

- (2) In subsection (1) above, “public body” has the meaning given by section 8(5) above.

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Textual Amendments

- F7** Words in s. 15(1) substituted (1.10.2004 except in relation to W., 10.11.2004 for W.) by [Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 61, Sch. 1 para. 57(2)(3)(a); [S.I. 2004/2304](#), art. 2; [S.I. 2004/2917](#), art. 2

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