



# Land Drainage Act 1991

## 1991 CHAPTER 59

An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to internal drainage boards, and to the functions of such boards and of local authorities in relation to land drainage, with amendments to give effect to recommendations of the Law Commission. [25th July 1991]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** [A table showing the derivation of the provisions of this Consolidation Act will be found at the end of the Act. The table has no official status.]
- C2** Act restricted(01.12.91)by [Water Resources Act 1991](#) (c. 57, SIF 130), **ss. 15(2)(a)**, 225(2).
- C3** Act restricted(01.12.91)by [Water Resources Act 1991](#) (c. 57, SIF 130), **ss. 18(2)**, 225(2).
- C4** Act modified(01.12.91)by [Water Resources Act 1991](#) (c. 57, SIF 130), **ss. 137(4)**, 225(2).
- C5** Act excluded(01.12.91)by [Water Consolidation \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1991](#) (c. 60, SIF 130), **ss. 2(2)**, 4(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. II para. 15(1)**.
- C6** Act modified(01.12.91)by [Water Consolidation \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1991](#) (c. 60, SIF 130), **ss. 2(2)**, 4(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. II para. 15(2)**.
- C7** Act: definition applied(01.12.91)by [Water Consolidation \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1991](#) (c. 60, SIF 130), **ss. 2(2)**, 4(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. II para. 16(5)**.
- C8** Act definition of "watercourse" applied by [London Docklands Railway Act 1991](#) (c. xxiii), **s. 14(1)**
- C9** Act: certain functions transferred (1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 25, **s. 2(1)(a)(iii)** (with **ss. 115**, 117); S.I. 1996/186, **art. 3**
- C10** Act: certain functions transferred (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, **art. 2 Sch. 1**
- C11** Act: amendment to earlier affecting provision SI 1999/672 Sch. 1 (1.4.2004) by [Water Act 2003](#) (c. 37), **ss. 100(6)**, 105(3); S.I. 2004/641, **art. 3(x)** (with **Sch. 3 para. 7**)
- C12** Act power to amend conferred (1.10.2010) by [Flood and Water Management Act 2010](#) (c. 29), **ss. 28**, 49(3) (with **s. 49(1)(6)**); S.I. 2010/2169, **art. 4**, **Sch.**

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#### **Commencement Information**

**II** Act wholly in force at 1.12.1991 see s. 76(2).

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