



# Clean Air Act 1993

## CHAPTER 11

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- 48 Power to give effect to international agreements.

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- 1 Before making a smoke control order the local authority shall...
- 2 Besides publishing such a notice, the local authority shall post,...
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- 4 Subject to paragraphs 5 and 6, an order shall come...
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- 6 If, before the date on which the order is to...
- 7 In the application of this Schedule to Scotland, for any...

#### SCHEDULE 2 — Smoke control orders: expenditure on old private dwellings

##### *Grants for expenditure incurred in adaptation of fireplaces*

- 1 (1) This paragraph applies if, after the making of a...

##### *Exclusion of grants in case of unsuitable appliances*

- 2 For the purposes of this Schedule, an appliance is unsuitable...
- 3 (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies if— (a) after a local authority...

##### *Exchequer contributions to certain expenditure*

- 4 (1) The Secretary of State may, out of money provided...

#### SCHEDULE 3 — Provisions having effect until repeal of Alkali, &c Works Regulation Act 1906

##### Part I — RELATION OF THIS ACT TO ALKALI, &C. WORKS REGULATION ACT 1906

- 1 (1) In this Part of this Schedule— “ the Alkali...
  - 2 Subject to paragraphs 3 and 4, Parts I to III...
  - 3 If, on the application of the local authority, the Secretary...
  - 4 While, by virtue of an order under paragraph 3 above,...
  - 5 Any order made under paragraph 3 may be varied or...
  - 6 Nothing in section 55 shall be taken as extending to...
- ##### Part II — MODIFICATIONS OF THIS ACT
- 7 In section 31(4)— (a) in paragraph (a), after “1990” there...
  - 8 In section 33(1), after “1990” there is inserted “ or...
  - 9 In section 35(3), after “1990” there is inserted “ or...
  - 10 In section 36, after subsection (3) there is inserted—
  - 11 At the end of section 40 there is inserted— “...

#### SCHEDULE 4 — Consequential amendments

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*The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (c. 37)*

- 1 Section 80(1) of the Health and Safety at Work etc....

*The Control of Pollution Act 1974 (c. 40)*

- 2 In section 96(1) of the Control of Pollution Act 1974...

*The Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (c. 22)*

- 3 In section 7(4) of the Public Health (Control of Disease)...

*The Environmental Protection Act 1990 (c. 43)*

- 4 In section 79(7) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990—

*The Atomic Weapons Establishment Act 1991 (c. 46)*

- 5 In the Schedule to the Atomic Weapons Establishment Act 1991...

*The Radioactive Substances Act 1993 (c. 12)*

- 6 In Schedule 3 to the Radioactive Substances Act 1993—

SCHEDULE 5 — Transitional provisions

Part I — GENERAL TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND SAVINGS

*Continuity of the law*

- 1 The substitution of this Act for the enactments repealed by...  
2 Any reference, whether express or implied, in this Act or...  
3 Any document made, served or issued after the commencement of...  
4 Paragraphs 2 and 3 have effect without prejudice to the...

*General saving for old transitional provisions and savings*

- 5 (1) The repeal by this Act of a transitional provision...

Part II — EXCLUSION AND MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT

*Requirements to fit arrestment plant: sections 6 & 8*

- 6 (1) Section 6(1) (arrestment plant for new non-domestic furnaces) does...

*Height of chimneys for furnaces: section 14*

- 7 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, section 14 (height of...

*Smoke control orders*

- 8 (1) In relation to any smoke control order made by...  
9 The provisions of Part III of this Schedule (which are...

*Colliery spoilbanks: section 42*

- 10 Subsections (2) to (4) of section 42 (colliery spoilbanks) shall...

Part III — CONFIRMATION AND COMING INTO OPERATION OF CERTAIN SMOKE CONTROL ORDERS

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- 11 In this Part of this Schedule “order” means a smoke...
- 12 After making an order, the local authority shall publish in...
- 13 Besides publishing a notice as required by paragraph 12, the...
- 14 If no objection is duly made to the Secretary of...
- 15 In any case other than one within paragraph 14 the...
- 16 Section 250(2) to (5) of the Local Government Act 1972...
- 17 Subject to paragraphs 18 and 19, an order when confirmed...
- 18 An order varying a previous order so as to exempt...
- 19 (1) If, before the date on which an order is...
- 20 In the application of this Part of this Schedule to...

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#### TABLE OF DERIVATIONS

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