



Architects Act 1997

1997 CHAPTER 22

PART V

GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY

Supplementary

25 Interpretation.

In this Act—

“the Board” means the Architects Registration Board;

“competent authority”, in relation to an EEA State, means an authority or body designated by the State in accordance with the Directive;

“the Directive” means ^{M1}Council Directive [85/384/EEC](#) on the mutual recognition of diplomas, certificates and other evidence of formal qualifications in architecture, as amended;

“disciplinary order” has the meaning given by section 15;

“disqualifying decision in another EEA State”, in relation to any person, means a decision made by a competent authority of an EEA State other than the United Kingdom which—

- (a) is expressed to be made on the ground that he has committed a criminal offence or has misconducted himself in a professional respect; and
- (b) has the effect in that State that he is no longer registered or otherwise officially recognised as an architect or that he is prohibited from practising as an architect there;

“EEA State” means any State which is a Contracting Party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992, as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993;

“erasure order” shall be construed in accordance with section 18;

“list of visiting EEA architects” means the list maintained under section 12;

“national” does not include a person who, by virtue of Article 2 of Protocol No.3 (Channel Islands and Isle of Man) to the Treaty of Accession, is not to

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benefit from Community provisions relating to the free movement of persons and services;

“penalty order” shall be construed in accordance with section 16;

“prescribed” means prescribed by rules made by the Board and “prescribe” means prescribe by rules;

“the Register” means the Register of Architects;

“registered person” means a person whose name is in the Register;

“the Registrar” means the Registrar of Architects;

“suspension order” shall be construed in accordance with section 17; and

“unacceptable professional conduct” has the meaning given by section 14.

Marginal Citations

M1 O.J. No. L. 223/15.

26 Consequential amendments.

In—

(a) section 6 of the ^{M2}Inspection of Churches Measure 1955, in the definition of “qualified person”;

(b) section 52(1) of the ^{M3}Cathedrals Measure 1963, in the definition of “architect”; and

(c) section 20(1) of the ^{M4}Care of Cathedrals Measure 1990, in the definition of “architect”;

for “Architects Acts 1931 to 1996” substitute “ Architects Act 1997 ”.

Marginal Citations

M2 1955 No. 1.

M3 1963 No. 2.

M4 1990 No. 2.

27 Transitionals, repeals etc.

Schedule 2 (transitional provisions and savings) and Schedule 3 (repeals and revocations) have effect.

28 Short title, commencement and extent.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Architects Act 1997.

(2) This Act (apart from this section) shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint.

(3) This Act extends to Northern Ireland.

Subordinate Legislation Made

P1 [S. 28\(2\)](#) power fully exercised (9.7.1997): 21.7.1997 appointed day by [S.I. 1997/1672](#)

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