



# Flood and Water Management Act 2010

## 2010 CHAPTER 29

### PART 1

#### FLOOD AND COASTAL EROSION RISK MANAGEMENT

##### *1. Key concepts and definitions*

## 2 “Risk”

- (1) “Risk” means a risk in respect of an occurrence assessed and expressed (as for insurance and scientific purposes) as a combination of the probability of the occurrence with its potential consequences.
- (2) “Flood risk” means a risk in respect of flood.
- (3) “Coastal erosion risk” means a risk in respect of coastal erosion.
- (4) In each case the potential harmful consequences to be considered in assessing risk include, in particular, consequences for—
  - (a) human health,
  - (b) the social and economic welfare of individuals and communities,
  - (c) infrastructure, and
  - (d) the environment (including cultural heritage).

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#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** Ss. 1-3 applied by 2005 c. 5, s. 86B(4) (as inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 5 para. 9 of the amending Act) by [Finance Act 2015 \(c. 11\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 1](#))
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#### **Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 2 in force at 1.9.2010 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2010/2169](#), [art. 3\(2\)\(b\)](#)  
**I2** S. 2 in force at 1.10.2010 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2010/2169](#), [art. 4](#), [Sch.](#)

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**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, Section 2.