



Energy Act 2023

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PART 8

HEAT NETWORKS

CHAPTER 1

REGULATION OF HEAT NETWORKS

219 Heat networks regulations

- (1) The appropriate authority may by regulations make provision for the purposes of—
 - (a) regulating relevant heat networks, or
 - (b) conferring powers in relation to the development or maintenance of relevant heat networks.
- (2) [Schedule 18](#) contains further provision about the power to make regulations under [this section](#).
- (3) The provision made in [Schedule 18](#) is without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1).
- (4) Regulations under this section may—
 - (a) contain such consequential, incidental, supplementary, transitional or saving provisions as the appropriate authority considers appropriate;
 - (b) make different provision for different purposes;
 - (c) provide for a person to exercise discretion in dealing with any matter.
- (5) Regulations made by the Secretary of State by virtue of [subsection \(4\)\(a\)](#) may include—
 - (a) provisions amending or repealing an Act of Parliament, an Act or Measure of Senedd Cymru or Northern Ireland legislation;
 - (b) provisions amending the Heat Networks (Scotland) Act 2021 ([asp 9](#)).

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- (6) Regulations made by the Department by virtue of [subsection \(4\)\(a\)](#) may include provisions amending or repealing Northern Ireland legislation.
- (7) Before making any regulations under this section, the appropriate authority is to consult such persons or bodies as it may consider appropriate.
- (8) It is immaterial for the purposes of [subsection \(7\)](#) whether consultation is carried out before or after the coming into force of [this section](#).
- (9) In this section “the appropriate authority” means—
 - (a) in relation to England and Wales and Scotland, the Secretary of State;
 - (b) in relation to Northern Ireland, the Department.

Commencement Information

II S. 219 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 334\(2\)\(l\)](#)

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