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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 1994**

**Requirements on and powers of principal contractor**

- 16.—(1) The principal contractor appointed for any project shall—
- (a) take reasonable steps to ensure co-operation between all contractors (whether they are sharing the construction site for the purposes of regulation 9 of the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1992<sup>(1)</sup> or otherwise) so far as is necessary to enable each of those contractors to comply with the requirements and prohibitions imposed on him by or under the relevant statutory provisions relating to the construction work;
  - (b) ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that every contractor, and every employee at work in connection with the project complies with any rules contained in the health and safety plan;
  - (c) take reasonable steps to ensure that only authorised persons are allowed into any premises or part of premises where construction work is being carried out;
  - (d) ensure that the particulars required to be in any notice given under regulation 7 are displayed in a readable condition in a position where they can be read by any person at work on construction work in connection with the project; and
  - (e) promptly provide the planning supervisor with any information which—
    - (i) is in the possession of the principal contractor or which he could ascertain by making reasonable enquiries of a contractor, and
    - (ii) it is reasonable to believe the planning supervisor would include in the health and safety file in order to comply with the requirements imposed on him in respect thereof in regulation 14, and
    - (iii) is not in the possession of the planning supervisor.
- (2) The principal contractor may—
- (a) give reasonable directions to any contractor so far as is necessary to enable the principal contractor to comply with his duties under these Regulations;
  - (b) include in the health and safety plan rules for the management of the construction work which are reasonably required for the purposes of health and safety.
- (3) Any rules contained in the health and safety plan shall be in writing and shall be brought to the attention of persons who may be affected by them.