
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Compulsory Purchase of Land (Prescribed Forms) (Ministers) Regulations 2004 (“the 2004 Regulations”) (S.I. 2004/2595) and come into force on 3rd February 2017.

Regulation 2(2) amends regulation 3 of the 2004 Regulations, to prescribe additional forms for the purposes of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (c. 67). For the purposes of section 15(4)(e) and (f) of, and paragraph 6(4)(e) and (f) of Schedule 1 to, that Act, the form of the statement about the effect of Parts 2 and 3 of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 (c. 66) shall be Part 1 of new Form 9A and the form for giving information to the acquiring authority shall be Part 2 of new Form 9A.

Regulation 2(3) inserts a new regulation 3A into the 2004 Regulations. It requires the Secretary of State to review the operation and effect of regulation 3(da), (db) and (e) (and the associated forms) in the 2004 Regulations and to publish a report within five years of 3rd February 2017 and within every five years after that. Following a review it will fall to the Secretary of State to consider whether regulation 3(da), (db) and (e) should remain as they are, or be revoked or be amended. A further instrument would be needed to revoke or to amend them.

Regulation 2(4)(b) inserts new Form 9A (in Part 1 of the Schedule to these Regulations) into the Schedule to the 2004 Regulations.

Regulation 2(4)(c) replaces Form 10 in the 2004 Regulations with a new version (contained in Part 2 of the Schedule to these Regulations).

Regulation 2(4)(d) replaces Form 11 in the 2004 Regulations with a new version (contained in Part 3 of the Schedule to these Regulations).

The amendments made by regulation 2(2) and (4) apply only in relation to a compulsory purchase order which is confirmed by a Minister or another authority, or made by a Minister, on or after 3rd February 2017.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.