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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Building services and materials in general

7. Notification Under Another Act

None

8. Main Content

The Building Regulations 2000 are made under the Building Act 1984. The Building Regulations set out broad standards and requirements which the individual aspects of a building's design and construction must achieve. These 'functional' requirements are also considered in a series of Approved Documents that provide general guidance on ways to meet these requirements, and include suggested practical solutions for some common building situations.

The proposed amendments in the consultation version of Approved Document F 2010 help address concerns of under-ventilation in both new dwellings and when undertaking building work in existing dwellings. In particular, they aim to:

- harmonise Approved Document F with the proposed changes to Approved Document L, in particular to ensure adequate ventilation as new dwellings become more airtight;
- improve the installation and commissioning of ventilation systems such that they operate to their design specifications.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

When the proposed energy efficiency standards in Part L are strengthened in 2010 there is likely to be a tendency to more airtight buildings. It is therefore necessary to propose changes to Part F of the Building Regulations at the same time to ensure adequate means of ventilation is provided.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Proposed Domestic Ventilation Installation and Commissioning Compliance Guide

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14.	Fiscal	meas	ures

No

15. Impact assessment

Information on the impact assessment can be found on page 83 of Volume 1 of the Parts F & L Consultation Document attached.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect

No

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No

The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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