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# 1. Structured Information Line

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# 2. Member State

United Kingdom.

# 3. Department Responsible

Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions (DETR), Construction Directorate.

# 3. Originating Department

Building Regulations Division.

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#### 5. Title

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#### 6. Products Concerned

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#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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# 8. Main Content

Proposed amendments to the existing Building Regulations that can be seen in full at http://www.construction.detr.gov.uk/consult/eep/index.htm. For all buildings it is proposed to raise standards for building insulation and heating and hot water system efficiency, and to introduce new requirements for commissioning and testing, and the provision of operation and maintenance information. Additionally for dwellings it is proposed to introduce new standards for lighting. Additionally for other types of buildings it is proposed to introduce higher standards for lamps and lighting fittings, new requirements to counter solar overheating, and new requirements for air conditioning and mechanical ventilation performance. It is also proposed to widen the application of the regulations to include more types of renovation work. The Building Regulations for England and Wales already recognise equivalent standards and testing and the proposals do not change this.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 98/34/EC when this Approved Document is officially published. The DETR Circular published at the time of publication of the Approved Document shall contain a reference to this Directive.

For recognition of equivalent standards and testing in notified draft see "Use of Guidance" page 51, in the proposed new edition of the Approved Document

# 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This is the first stage of a programme of changes aimed at maximising the Building Regulations' contribution to achieving UK targets for reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

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# 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

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12. Grounds for the Emergency -	
13. Confidentiality No	
14. Fiscal measures No	
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