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2. Member State

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Building services and materials in general

7. Notification Under Another Act

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.

A number of changes are proposed to amend the Part L Approved Documents to achieve a 25% improvement in the energy efficiency of new dwellings and non-domestic buildings.

The proposals also include appropriate changes to the requirements when people elect to carry out building work to existing buildings to improve the energy efficiency of existing buildings.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

In order to help meet carbon dioxide reduction targets, the Government announced in 2007 that it intends to seek progressive improvements in the performance standards of Part L (energy efficiency) of the Building Regulations. A 25% improvement on current energy efficiency standards is sought in 2010, as well as improvements in the requirements when works are carried out to existing buildings.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Proposed Domestic Building Services Compliance Guide Proposed Non-Domestic Building Services Compliance Guide Plus separate list of 3rd tier documents (referred to in the proposed new Approved Documents)

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment Information on the impact assessment can be found on page 83 of Volume 1 of the 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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