WHAT IS THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK?

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The regulatory framework for social housing in England from the 1st April 2015 is made up of:

- **Regulatory requirements** – what registered providers need to comply with
- **Codes of practice** – a code of practice can amplify any economic standard to assist registered providers in understanding how compliance might be achieved
- **Regulatory guidance** – this provides further explanatory information on the regulatory requirements and includes how the regulator will carry out its role of regulating the requirements

The different elements which fall under each of these categories are set out below.

### Regulatory requirements

1. **Regulatory standards – Economic**
   - Governance and Financial Viability Standard
   - Value for Money Standard
   - Rent Standard (and see part of Rent Standard Guidance)¹

2. **Regulatory standards – Consumer**
   - Tenant Involvement and Empowerment Standard
   - Home Standard
   - Tenancy Standard
   - Neighbourhood and Community Standard

3. **Registration requirements**

4. **De-registration requirements**

5. **Information submission requirements**

6. **The accounting direction for social housing in England from April 2012**

7. **Disposal Proceeds Fund requirements**

8. **Requirement to obtain regulator’s consent to disposals**²

9. **Requirement to obtain regulator’s consent to changes to constitutions**³

### Codes of practice

Governance and Financial Viability Standard code of practice

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¹ Note Rent Standard Guidance contains both requirements and guidance

² See also The General Consents for Disposals

³ For non-profit registered providers only
Regulatory guidance

1. Regulating the standards
2. Rent standard guidance (part of) and associated guidance documents
3. Registration guidance and application form guidance notes
4. De-registration guidance
5. NROSH+ guidance documents
6. Guidance on intervention, enforcement and use of powers
7. Guidance for constitutional consents, restructuring and dissolution
8. Disposal Proceeds Fund guidance
9. Disposing of Land, and application form guidance notes
10. Procedural guidance notes for constitutional changes