

# Fifth statement of new regulation

Measures coming into force between 1 January and 30 June 2013

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## Ministerial foreword

The government wants to make the UK the best place in Europe to start, finance and grow a business by cutting the costs and burden of regulation. That is why I am pleased that DCLG is yet again reducing the overall burden of regulation on businesses by £45.36 million in this Statement of New Regulation period. This brings the department's total reductions over the five Statements of New Regulation to £50.32 million.

We are proud to say that this is the largest saving to business in any of our Statements of New Regulation so far. However, the £45.36 million sum only represents the savings from the five measures here that have been confirmed by the Regulatory Policy Committee. We are in the process of having further deregulatory policies validated by the Regulatory Policy Committee, which we expect to bring considerable savings to business (which will be counted on the Sixth Statement of New Regulation).

Because minimising regulatory burdens and creating the conditions for business to flourish is a priority for this Government, our efforts to make life easier for businesses will not stop here. We are also preparing to announce the regulations we will be removing following the Housing and Construction theme of the Red Tape Challenge.

The Statement of New Regulation, combined with other measures that form part of this Government's strategy for reducing regulation, will reduce Whitehall's tendency to regulate and give businesses clarity about all new regulations being introduced.

The Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP

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Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government

#### **Table of measures**

#### <u>1) INs</u>

	Impact	Title of measure	Purpose of measure	Date the	Equivalent	Impact Assessment
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	number			due to come	cost to	
				into force	Business	
					(£m, 2009)	
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#### 2) Zero Net Cost measures

Impact Assessment number	Title of measure	Purpose of measure	Date the measure is due to come into force	Equivalent annual net cost to Business (£m, 2009)	Impact Assessment link
DCLG 0061A #	Neighbourhood Planning (Referendums) (Amendment) Regulations 2012	To set out the arrangements for referendums in designated business areas for non domestic ratepayers on Neighbourhood Development Plans, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders.	April 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 12017 #	Award of Costs	To change the Award of Costs regime to act as an incentive for positive behaviour both for local authorities and planning applicants.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment
DCLG 12037 #	Amendment of Section 106 appeal procedure	To allow developers to challenge affordable housing requirements in planning obligations on the grounds of viability.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment

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DCLG 12025 #	Compulsory Purchase Orders – recovery of costs	To simplify the process of recovering costs for those successful in challenging Compulsory Purchase Orders.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment

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#### 3) OUTs

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DCLG 1051	Recast of the Energy Performance of Building Regulations (2010/31/EU)		January 2013	-14.1	Not yet published
DCLG 12027 #	Streamlining information requirements for planning applications	i anniicalione iin alen fanliifa incal collocile in fanliianvi	January 2013	0.00	Not yet published

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DCLG 12009 #	Amendments to "Town and Country Planning (Modification and Discharge of Planning Obligations) (Amendments) (England) Regulations 2012"	To change the time-limit for renegotiation of pre April 2010 Section 106 planning obligations where these may be hampering site viability.	January/ February 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG1 2026 #	Reform of Special Parliamentary Procedures for Development Consent Orders and Compulsory Purchase Orders	To restrict consideration under Special Parliamentary Procedure to the compulsory acquisition of special land, and not the whole Development Consent Order or Compulsory Purchase Order.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment
DCLG 12029 #	Reuse of existing buildings	To establish a system for change of use which is light touch where appropriate, while also ensuring that local planning authorities and the public have the opportunity to influence decisions that will impact on the local area.	April 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 0084 #	Amendment to Part P (Electrical safety in dwellings) of the Building Regulations	To simplify the compliance requirements to Part P of the Building Regulations.	April 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 0083	Amendment to Part B (Fire Safety) of the Building Regulations; Light Diffusers and Wall Coverings	To simplify the compliance requirements to Part B of the Building Regulations.	April 2013	-24.4	Not yet published

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DCLG 0078	Consolidation and simplification of parts M, K and N of the Building Regulations	To simplify the compliance requirements to Part K (Protection from falling collision and impact), Part M (Access to and use of buildings) and Part N (Glazing) of the Building Regulations.	April 2013	-4.1	Not yet published
DCLG 0089 #	Amendments to Building Regulations – building control system	To remove or simplify processes, including introduction of risk-based service plans for local authorities and removal of the Warranty Link Rule.	January/ April 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 0079	Amendments to Part M (Access to and use of buildings) of the Building Regulations	To move from a reliance on Access Statements to a risk-based approach for enforcement and compliance.	April 2013	-2.00	Not yet published
DCLG 0037	Repeal of Local Acts regarding fire safety standards for buildings	To repeal local provisions to reduce inconsistencies and unnecessary regulatory burdens relating to fire protection requirements.	April 2013	-0.76	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/uploads/s ystem/uploads/attach ment_data/file/8398/2 063452.pdf
DCLG 12019 #	Amendment to the Building Regulations 2010 extending the use of self-certification of building work	To extend the use of self-certification of notifiable 'building work', allowing installers to be registered as competent to self-certify that their work complies with Building Regulations.	January 2013	0.00	Not yet published

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DCLG 12031 #	Expanding and improving the 'one-stop-shop' for major infrastructure consents	To make the major infrastructure process consents more efficient by removing the requirement for separate Secretary of State consents or certificates for certain matters; establishing new arrangements to improve coordination between the Planning Inspectorate, applicants and other consenting bodies to make the overall consents process more efficient; streamlining the list of consents set out in regulations.	April 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 12020 #	Special Parliamentary Procedures for Major Infrastructure Regime	To amend primary legislation governing Special Parliamentary Procedures so that its use on major infrastructure projects is strictly limited to those situations where there is a genuine need for further consideration by Parliament of the compulsory acquisition of specially protected land.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment
DCLG 12023 #	Review of minerals permissions	To introduce greater flexibility on the timing of review of planning conditions for mineral sites in England.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment
DCLG 12016 #	Increasing permitted development thresholds for homeowners and businesses	To remove the requirement for planning permission for householders and businesses for small-scale extensions to their properties, and to promote the faster rollout of broadband.	April 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 12022 #	Reducing information requirements for planning applications	To remove burdens for both local planning authorities and business and to make the information requirements for planning applications clearer, simpler and more proportionate.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment

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DCLG 12024 #	Disposal of land held for planning at less than best consideration	To enable the Secretary of State to give general consents for non-major disposals of land held for planning purposes at less than the best consideration reasonably obtainable.	June 2013*	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/publicatio ns/growth-and- infrastructure-bill- impact-assessment
DCLG 12032 #	Package of further streamlining measures	To reduce information requirements for planning applications; includes measures to simplify Design and Access Statement requirements, improve the validation process and streamline local authority decision notices.	June 2013	0.00	Not yet published
DCLG 0028 #	Extending permitted development rights to enable change of use from commercial to residential properties	To remove the requirement for planning consent for the change of use of business premises to class C3 accommodation for normal dwelling.	April 2013	0.00	Not yet published

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## **Legacy measures from previous Statements of New Regulation**

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Impact Assessment number	Title of measure	Purpose of measure	Date the measure has come into force	Equivalent annual net cost to Business (£m, 2009)	Impact Assessment link
DCLG 12007	Improving social housing mobility	The Government has introduced HomeSwap Direct, a national home swap scheme, to ensure that social tenants wishing to move can maximise their chances of securing a suitable match. The measure will require social landlords to subscribe to a mutual exchange service which participates in HomeSwap Direct.	April 2012	0.04	Not yet published
DCLG 12006	Tenure reform	Currently, Private Registered Providers of Social Housing are effectively required to offer 'lifetime' tenancies to the vast majority of new tenants entering general needs social housing. This measure will give providers much greater flexibility, enabling them to offer lifetime security where it is needed but also to set shorter terms where this makes more sense. Providers will be required to have regard to statutory Local Authority tenancy strategies when formulating their own tenancy policies.	April 2012	0.004	Not yet published

### **Zero Net Cost Measures**

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DCLG 0085	Homelessness (Suitability of Accommodation) (England) Order 2012	This Order is necessary to implement the homelessness measures in the Localism Act, which received Royal Assent in November 2011. This is a voluntary power which allows local authorities to make greater use of suitable private rented sector accommodation to end the main homelessness duty. This measure provides local authorities with greater flexibility to manage homelessness pressures and creates a new lettings market that landlords may choose to access.	November 2012	0.00	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/uploads/s ystem/uploads/attach ment_data/file/11315/ homeless_ia.pdf

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DCLG 0081	Deregulation of the consent regime for flying flags	This measure will streamline the planning regulations to cut bureaucracy to make it easier for people to fly flags. It will allow a wider range of flags to be flown without having to obtain the express consent of the local planning authority.	October 2012	-0.02	https://www.gov.uk/g overnment/uploads/s ystem/uploads/attach ment_data/file/11088/ 2218258.pdf
DCLG 0067	Reform of social housing regulation	Re-focusing consumer regulation on setting clear service standards and intervening only to address serious failures (with changes to legislation to end routine monitoring and inspection). In place of proactive national regulation, there will be greater emphasis on landlord accountability to tenants.	April 2012	-0.17	Not yet published