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THE BUILDING ACT 1984

THE BUILDING REGULATIONS 2010

- **REVOCAION OF THE AUTHORISATION FOR ALL TYPES OF WORK OF TWO SCHEME OPERATORS AUTHORISED TO OPERATE A COMPETENT PERSON SELF-CERTIFICATION SCHEME**
- **CHANGE OF NAME OF A SCHEME OPERATOR AUTHORISED TO OPERATE A COMPETENT PERSON SELF-CERTIFICATION SCHEME IN RESPECT OF TWO TYPES OF WORK**

INTRODUCTION

1. I am directed by the Secretary of State to draw your attention to the Building (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (S.I. 2017/856) (“the Amendment Regulations”), which were made on 5 September 2017 and come into force as in paragraphs 5 to 7 below.
2. The purpose of this Circular is to:
 - draw attention to these amendments and explain the changes they make to the Building Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010 No. 2214);
 - announce the revocation of the authorisation of two competent person self-certification scheme for all types of work for which they were authorised; and
 - announce the change of name of another competent person self-certification scheme.
3. The Annex to this Circular sets out in tabular form all the changes to the Building Regulations 2010 made by SI 2017/856.

APPLICATION OF THE REGULATIONS

4. The changes made by these Amendment Regulations apply in England and to excepted energy buildings in Wales.

REVOCAION OF AUTHORISATIONS

5. The Amendment Regulations revoke the authorisation in Schedule 3 to the Building Regulations 2010 of Benchmark Certification Limited to operate a competent person self-certification scheme in respect of all types of work for which it was authorised. This revocation takes effect on 1 October 2017.
6. The Amendment Regulations also revoke the authorisation in Schedule 3 to the Building Regulations 2010 of BM Trada Certification Limited to operate a competent person self-certification schemes in respect of all types of work for which it was authorised. This revocation takes effect on 28 February 2018.
7. The Amendment Regulations change the name of the Network Veka Limited scheme to Assure Certification Limited in respect of all types of work for which it was authorised. The change of name takes effect on 1 October 2017.

ENQUIRIES

8. All enquiries on matters covered by this Circular should be addressed to:

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ANNEX A

The Building (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (S.I. 2017/856)

The following table lists all the changes made by S.I. 2017/856 to the Building Regulations 2010:

| S.I. 2010/2214 Regulation No. | S.I. 2017/856 Regulation No. | Action |
|--|---|---|
| Schedule 3, paragraphs 4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14 and 15 | 2(2)(a) | Removes Benchmark Certification Limited from the list of persons authorised to operate schemes in respect of the installation of heating and hot water systems, fixed low voltage or extra low voltage electrical installations in dwellings, fixed low or extra-low voltage electrical installations in dwellings as a necessary adjunct to or arising out of other work being carried out by the registered person, installation of a sanitary convenience, sink, basin, bidet, fixed bath or shower or bathroom in a dwelling, installation of a cold water supply or a softened cold water supply, installation of a supply of non-wholesome water to a sanitary convenience with a flushing device or the installation in a building of a system to produce electricity, heat or cooling by microgeneration or from renewable resources. |
| Schedule 3, paragraphs 10 and 11 | 2(2)(b) | Removes BM Trada Certification Limited from the list of persons authorised to operate a competent person self-certification scheme for the installation of replacement windows, rooflights, roof windows and doors in existing dwellings and in existing buildings other than dwellings. |
| Schedule 3, paragraphs 10 and 11 | 2(2)(c) | Substitutes the name "Assure Certification Limited" in place of the name "Network Veka Limited" in respect of the list of persons authorised to operate a competent person self-certification scheme for the installation of replacement windows, rooflights, roof windows and doors in dwellings and buildings other than dwellings. |

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