
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive)
(Safety Case etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

Revision of safety case

24.—(1) In addition to the other occasions on which a duty holder shall revise a current safety case pursuant to these Regulations, a duty holder shall revise a current safety case—

- (a) when appropriate; and
- (b) when directed to do so by the competent authority pursuant to regulation 25(1).

(2) Revisions made under paragraph (1)(a) which make a material change to the current safety case are not effective unless—

- (a) the duty holder has sent a version of the current safety case which incorporates the proposed revisions, showing clearly where they are to be made, to the competent authority—
 - (i) at least three months, or such shorter period as the competent authority may specify; or
 - (ii) where the revisions relate to a combined operation, at least six weeks, or such shorter period as the competent authority may specify,before the revisions are to be made; and
- (b) the competent authority has accepted the revisions.

(3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (2)—

- (a) no well operation constitutes a material change;
- (b) the movement of a production installation to a new location to be operated there constitutes a material change; and
- (c) the conversion of a production installation to enable it to be operated as a non-production installation constitutes a material change,

to the current safety case for the purposes of paragraph (2).

(4) For the purposes of paragraph (1), it is to be regarded as appropriate to revise a safety case in respect of a material change to an installation.