



Gas Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 44

PART I

GAS SUPPLY

[^{F1} Powers and duties of public gas transporters]

9 ^{F1} General powers and duties.]

- (1) It shall be the duty of a [^{F2}gas transporter] as respects each authorised area of his—
- (a) to develop and maintain an efficient and economical pipe-line system for the conveyance of gas; and
 - (b) subject to paragraph (a) above, to comply, so far as it is economical to do so, with any reasonable request for him [^{F3}—
 - (i)]
to connect to that system, and convey gas by means of that system to, any premises [^{F4}; or.
 - (ii) to connect to that system a pipe-line system operated by an authorised transporter.]

[^{F5}(1A) It shall also be the duty of a gas transporter to facilitate competition in the supply of gas.]

- (2) It shall also be the duty of a [^{F2}gas transporter] to avoid any undue preference or undue discrimination—
- (a) in the connection of premises [^{F6}, or a pipe-line system operated by an authorised transporter,] to any pipe-line system operated by him; or
 - (b) in the terms on which he undertakes the conveyance of gas by means of such a system.

[^{F7}(2A) The conditions of a licence held by a gas transporter may include a condition requiring the gas transporter, in performing a duty under subsection (1), (1A) or (2), to have regard to the interests of existing and future consumers in relation to electricity

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conveyed by distribution systems or transmission systems (within the meaning of the Electricity Act 1989).]

- (3) The following provisions shall have effect, namely—
- (a) Schedule 3 to this Act (which provides for the acquisition of land by [^{F2}gas transporters]); and
 - (b) Schedule 4 to this Act (which relates to the breaking up of streets and bridges by such transporters).

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 9 substituted (1.3.1996) by 1995 c. 45, s. 10(1), **Sch. 3 para. 3**; S.I. 1996/218, **art. 2**
- F2** Words in s. 9(1)(2)(3)(a) substituted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 27, s. 108, **Sch. 6 Pt. I para. 2(1)**; S.I. 2001/3266, **arts. 1(2), 2, Sch.** (subject to transitional provisions in **arts. 3-20**)
- F3** S. 9(1)(b): “-(i)”inserted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 27, **s. 79(2)(a)**; S.I. 2001/3266, **arts. 1(2), 2, Sch.** (subject to transitional provisions in **arts. 3-20**)
- F4** S. 9(1)(b)(ii) and the word “or”immediately preceding it inserted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 27, **s. 79(2)(b)**; S.I. 2001/3266, **arts. 1(2), 2, Sch.** (subject to transitional provisions in **arts. 3-20**)
- F5** S. 9(1A) inserted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 27, **s. 79(3)**; S.I. 2001/3266, **arts. 1(2), 2, Sch.** (subject to transitional provisions in **arts. 3-20**)
- F6** Words in s. 9(2)(a) inserted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 27, **s. 79(4)**; S.I. 2001/3266, **arts. 1(2), 2, Sch.** (subject to transitional provisions in **arts. 3-20**)
- F7** S. 9(2A) inserted (31.1.2024) by **Energy Act 2023 (c. 52), ss. 177(4), 334(1)**; S.I. 2024/32, **reg. 3(a)(vii)**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 9(1)(b) applied (with modifications) (1.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/399, **art. 3(1)**
- C2** S. 9(3)(a) functions exercisable in or as regards Scotland (14.12.2000) by S.I. 2000/3253, **art. 2, Sch. 1 para. 6** (with transitional provisions in **art. 6**)
S. 9(3)(a) functions transferred to Scottish Ministers (15.12.2000) by S.I. 2000/3253, **art. 3, Sch. 2** (with transitional provisions in **art. 6**)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 5(e) and word inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 185\(3\)](#)
- s. 5(1)(ca) inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 168\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 5(10A) inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 168\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 5(11A)(11B) inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 185\(4\)](#)
- s. 7B(5FA) inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 185\(13\)](#)
- s. 7AC inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 185\(6\)](#)
- s. 8AA(11B) inserted by [2023 c. 52 s. 185\(14\)](#)
- s. 15A inserted by [1992 c. 43 s. 17](#)
- s. 23D(2)(d) and word inserted by [2013 c. 32 s. 138\(4\)\(c\)\(iii\)](#)
- s. 27(1ZA)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2019/93, Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(b) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/1245 reg. 17](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 28(8A) inserted by [2023 c. 52 Sch. 14 para. 3\(3\)](#)
- s. 41E(6)(d) and word inserted by [2013 c. 32 s. 138\(4\)\(f\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 4B para. 9B and cross-heading inserted by [2023 c. 52 Sch. 14 para. 4](#)