



Water Resources Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 57

PART VII

LAND AND WORKS POWERS

CHAPTER II

POWERS OF ENTRY

170 Power of entry for certain works purposes.

- (1) Any person designated in writing for the purpose by the Agency [^{F1}or by the NRBW] may enter any premises for any of the purposes specified in subsection (2) below.
- (2) The purposes mentioned in subsection (1) above are—
 - (a) the carrying out of any survey or tests for the purpose of determining—
 - (i) whether it is appropriate and practicable for the Agency [^{F2}or the NRBW] to exercise any relevant works power; or
 - (ii) how any such power should be exercised;
 - (b) the exercise of any such power.
- (3) The power by virtue of subsection (1) above of a person designated by the Agency [^{F3}or by the NRBW] to enter any premises for the purposes of carrying out any survey or tests shall include power—
 - (a) to carry out experimental borings or other works for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of the sub-soil; and
 - (b) to take away and analyse such samples of water or effluent or of any land or articles as the Agency [^{F4}or the NRBW] considers necessary for the purpose of determining either of the matters mentioned in subsection (2)(a) above and has authorised that person to take away and analyse.
- (4) In this section “relevant works power” means any power conferred by any of the provisions of sections 159, 160, 162(2) and (3) and 163 above.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Water Resources Act 1991, Section 170. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

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Changes to legislation:

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