



# Local Government (Contracts) Act 1997

## 1997 CHAPTER 65

An Act to make provision about the powers of local authorities (including probation committees and the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District) to enter into contracts; to enable expenditure of local authorities making administrative arrangements for magistrates' courts to be treated for some purposes as not being capital expenditure; and for connected purposes. [27th November 1997]

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

### Extent Information

**E1** Act extends to Great Britain but see [s. 12\(4\)\(5\)](#) for exception.

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Act: power to apply conferred (1.12.1998) by [1998 c. 38, s. 39](#); [S.I. 1998/2789, art. 2](#)  
Act applied (with modifications)(1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1545, art. 2](#)  
Act: transfer of functions (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, Sch. 1](#)
- C2** Act applied (S.) (10.10.2005) by [Transport \(Scotland\) Act 2005 \(asp 12\), s. 54\(2\), sch. 1 para. 16\(1\)\(b\)](#); [S.S.I. 2005/454, art. 2, sch. 2](#)
- C3** Act: power to apply (with modifications) conferred by [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\), s. 59\(5\)](#) (with [Sch. 11 para. 22](#)), the amending provision coming into force immediately after "the 2007 election" (held on 3.5.2007) subject to [s. 161\(1\)\(4\)\(5\)](#) of the amending Act, which provides for certain provisions to come into force for specified purposes immediately after the end of "the initial period" (which ended with the day of the first appointment of a First Minister on 25.5.2007) - see [ss. 46, 161\(4\)\(5\)](#) of the amending Act.
- C4** Act: power to apply (with modifications) inserted by [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\), s. 27, Sch. 2 para. 4\(7\)](#) (with [Sch. 11 para. 22](#)), the amending provision coming into force immediately after "the 2007 election" (held on 3.5.2007) subject to [s. 161\(1\)\(4\)\(5\)](#) of the amending Act, which provides for certain provisions to come into force for specified purposes immediately after the end of "the initial period" (which ended with the day of the first appointment of a First Minister on 25.5.2007) - see [ss. 46, 161\(4\)\(5\)](#) of the amending Act.

**Changes to legislation:**

Local Government (Contracts) Act 1997, Introductory Text is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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

- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2007/1182 art. 2Sch. 1](#)
- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2007/1182 art. 3Sch. 2](#)