



Climate Change Act 2008

2008 CHAPTER 27

PART 3

TRADING SCHEMES

Authorities and regulations

47 Relevant national authorities

- (1) This section identifies “the relevant national authority” for the purposes of this Part.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are the relevant national authority in relation to matters within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.
- (3) The Welsh Ministers are the relevant national authority in relation to matters that—
 - (a) are within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, or
 - (b) relate to limiting or encouraging the limitation of activities in Wales that consist of the emission of greenhouse gas, other than activities in connection with offshore oil and gas exploration and exploitation.
- (4) In subsection (3)(b)—

“Wales” has the same meaning as in the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32); and

“offshore oil and gas exploration and exploitation” has the same meaning as in the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1958).
- (5) The Secretary of State or the relevant Northern Ireland department is the relevant authority in relation to reserved matters within the meaning of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (c. 47).
- (6) The relevant Northern Ireland department is the relevant authority in relation to all other matters within the legislative competence of the Northern Ireland Assembly.
- (7) The Secretary of State is the relevant national authority in relation to all other matters.

Changes to legislation:

Climate Change Act 2008, Section 47 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 18 January 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:

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

- s. 86(1)(a) words renumbered as s. 86(1)(a) by [2016 c. 22 s. 211\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 86(1)(b) and word inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 211\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 86(7A)(7B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 211\(5\)](#)