



# Energy Act 2008

## 2008 CHAPTER 32

### PART 1

#### GAS IMPORTATION AND STORAGE

### CHAPTER 2

#### IMPORTATION AND STORAGE OF COMBUSTIBLE GAS

##### *Activities requiring a licence*

## **2 Prohibition on unlicensed activities**

- (1) No person may carry on an activity within subsection (3) except in accordance with a licence.
- (2) But subsection (1) is subject to section 3.
- (3) The activities are—
  - (a) the use of a controlled place for the unloading of gas to an installation or pipeline;
  - (b) the use of a controlled place for the storage of gas;
  - (c) the conversion of any natural feature in a controlled place for the purpose of storing gas;
  - (d) the recovery of gas stored in a controlled place;
  - (e) the exploration of a controlled place with a view to, or in connection with, the carrying on of activities within paragraphs (a) to (d);
  - (f) the establishment or maintenance in a controlled place of an installation for the purposes of activities within this subsection.

- (4) In this section—

“controlled place” means a place in, under or over—

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (a) the territorial sea, or
- (b) waters in a Gas Importation and Storage Zone (within the meaning of section 1(5));

“gas” means any combustible substance which is gaseous at a temperature of 15°C and a pressure of 101.325 kPa (1013.25 mb) and which consists wholly or mainly of—

- (a) methane,
- (b) ethane,
- (c) propane,
- (d) butane,
- (e) a substance designated for the purposes of this section by an order made by the Secretary of State, or
- (f) a mixture of two or more of the substances mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (e).