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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 3061**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**LAND DRAINAGE**

**The Code of Practice on Environmental Procedures  
for Flood Defence Operating Authorities  
(Environment Agency) Approval Order 1996**

*Made* - - - - *5th December 1996*  
*Laid before Parliament* *5th December 1996*  
*Coming into force* - - *1st January 1997*

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales, (“the Ministers”), in exercise of the powers conferred on them<sup>(1)</sup> by section 9(1) and 56(3) of the Environment Act 1995<sup>(2)</sup> and after consulting in accordance with section 9(3) of that Act hereby jointly make the following Order:

**Title and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Code of Practice on Environmental Procedures for Flood Defence Operating Authorities (Environment Agency) Approval Order 1996 and shall come into force on 1st January 1997.

**Approval of Code of Practice**

2. The Ministers approve the code of practice issued by them entitled “Code of Practice on Environmental Procedures for Flood Defence Operating Authorities”<sup>(3)</sup> for the purpose of —

- (a) giving practical guidance to the Environment Agency with respect to the matters for the purposes of which section 6(1), 7 and 8 of the Environment Act 1995 have effect; and
- (b) promoting what appear to them to be desirable practices by the Environment Agency with respect to those matters.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Section 56(1) defines “the Minister”.

<sup>(2)</sup> 1995 c. 25.

<sup>(3)</sup> Published by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food with reference PB 2906.

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4th December 1996

*Tim Boswell*  
Parliamentary Secretary Ministry of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Food

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

5th December 1996

*Jonathan Evans*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Welsh  
Office

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

By this order, the Secretary of State and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food approve, in accordance with section 9 of the Environment Act 1995, the “Code of Practice on Environmental Procedures for Flood Defence Operating Authorities” issued by them.

Copies of the code of practice can be obtained, free of charge, quoting reference PB 2906 from MAFF Publications, London SE99 7TP or from the Welsh Office, Cathays Park, CF1 3NQ.