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The Environmental Noise (Wales) Regulations 2006

PART 4

ACTION PLANS

CHAPTER 1

GENERAL

Duty to publish criteria or limit values

14. No later than 18 July 2007 the Assembly must publish guidance setting out limit values or other criteria for the identification of priorities for action plans.

Action plans: general requirements

15.—(1) Any action plan drawn up or revised under this Part must—

- (a) meet the objectives of Article 1(c) of the Directive;
- (b) be designed to manage noise issues and effects, including noise reduction if necessary;
- (c) aim to protect quiet areas in agglomerations against an increase in noise;
- (d) address priorities which must be identified by having regard to guidance published pursuant to regulation 14;
- (e) apply in particular to the most important areas as established by strategic noise maps adopted pursuant to regulation 23; and
- (f) meet the requirements in Schedule 4.

(2) Paragraph (3) applies to—

- (a) any action plan; and
- (b) any revision of an action plan,

drawn up under this Part for an agglomeration.

(3) An action plan and any revision of an action plan must be based upon and apply in particular to the most important areas as established by—

- (a) all strategic noise maps that—
 - (i) are made or revised pursuant to regulation 7, 11 or 12 and adopted pursuant to regulation 23, and
 - (ii) concern any part of the area addressed by the action plan; and
- (b) a consolidated noise map.

(4) In this regulation “consolidated noise map” (“*map sw n cyfunol*”) means a single strategic noise map consolidated from all strategic noise maps that—

- (a) are made or revised pursuant to regulation 7, 11 or 12 and adopted pursuant to regulation 23; and
- (b) concern any part of the area addressed by the action plan.