
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES, WALES

The Fire and Rescue Services (National Framework) (Wales) Order 2012

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>24 March 2012</i>
<i>Laid before the National Assembly for Wales</i>	- -	<i>27 March 2012</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>20 April 2012</i>

This Order is made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 21(6) and 62 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004⁽¹⁾.

The Welsh Ministers have consulted fire and rescue authorities or persons considered to represent them, persons considered to represent employees of fire and rescue authorities and such other persons they considered appropriate.

The Welsh Ministers make the following Order:

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Fire and Rescue Services (National Framework) (Wales) Order 2012 and it comes into force on 20 April 2012.

(2) This Order applies in relation to Wales.

The Fire and Rescue National Framework

2. The Fire and Rescue National Framework prepared by the Welsh Ministers and entitled “The Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2012” published by the Welsh Ministers on 27 March 2012 has effect as a revision, which appears to the Welsh Ministers to be significant, of the Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2008 -2011⁽²⁾.

(1) [2004 c. 21](#). The functions under section 21 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 are now vested in the Welsh Ministers so far as they are exercisable in relation to Wales. They were previously vested in the National Assembly for Wales by section 62 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004. By virtue of paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act [2006 \(c. 32\)](#), they were transferred to the Welsh Ministers.

(2) The Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2008-2011 was brought into effect by S.I.[2008/2298 \(W.197\)](#).

Status: *This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.*

24 March 2012

Carl Sargeant
Minister for Local Government and
Communities, one of the Welsh Ministers

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Section 21 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 (“the Act”) requires the Welsh Ministers to prepare a Fire and Rescue National Framework (“Framework”), which must set out priorities and objectives for fire and rescue authorities in Wales and may provide guidance. Fire and rescue authorities must have regard to the Framework in carrying out their functions.

Article 2 of this Order substitutes the Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2012 for the Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2008-2011.

The Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2012 has effect from 20 April 2012. Copies of the Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales 2012 may be obtained from Fire and Armed Services Branch, Welsh Government, Rhyd y Car, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 1UZ. It was published on the Welsh Government website (<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/housingandcommunity/safety/publications/framework2012?lang=en>) on 27 March 2012.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order. A copy can be obtained from the Fire and Armed Forces Branch, Welsh Government, Rhydycar, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 1UZ or by calling 0300 062 8254.