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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 1465**

**The Adult Protection and Support Orders  
(Authorised Officer) (Wales) Regulations 2015**

**Restrictions on who may be authorised officer**

**3.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), a local authority must only authorise a person to apply for an adult protection and support order who has completed appropriate training and is an officer of the authorising authority.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), in a particular case where it is not practicable for an officer who satisfies paragraph (1) to act, a local authority must only authorise a person who has relevant experience, has completed appropriate training and is—

- (a) an officer of a local authority within the same Safeguarding Board area<sup>(1)</sup> as the authorising authority, or
- (b) where it is not practicable for an officer described in sub-paragraph (a) to act, an officer of any local authority in Wales.

(3) In a particular case where it is not practicable for an officer who satisfies paragraph (1) or (2) to act, a local authority must only authorise a person who is an officer of the authorising authority.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Section 142 of the Act defines “Safeguarding Board area” as an area set out in regulations under section 134(1) of the Act (see the Safeguarding Boards (General) (Wales) Regulations 2015, [S.I. 2015/1357 \(W. 131\)](#)).