
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision for the Welsh Ministers to charge fees in respect of an application to them for a petroleum licence under the Petroleum Act 1998 and for consents required under those licences for various listed activities and matters.

Regulations 1 and 2 contain general provisions.

Regulation 3 sets out the fee payable upon application for a licence under section 4 of the Petroleum Act 1998.

Regulation 4 sets out a formula for determining the fee payable upon application for the Welsh Ministers' consent to a development and production programme. Regulation 5 sets the fee payable upon application for the Welsh Ministers' consent to a retention or development area proposal. Regulation 6 sets out fixed fees payable upon application for the Welsh Ministers' consent to a number of listed activities. Regulation 7 sets out the fee payable upon application to the Welsh Ministers for an oil field determination.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.