

# Housing (Wales) Act 2014

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#### PART 1

#### REGULATION OF PRIVATE RENTED HOUSING

### Powers of the Welsh Ministers

## 40 Code of practice

- (1) The Welsh Ministers must issue a code of practice setting standards relating to letting and managing rental properties.
- (2) Standards under subsection (1) may (among other things) be set in relation to training.
- (3) The Welsh Ministers may—
  - (a) issue a code of practice which, in part or in whole, applies only to specified persons or cases, or applies differently to different persons or cases;
  - (b) amend or withdraw a code issued.
- (4) Before issuing or amending a code of practice the Welsh Ministers must take reasonable steps to consult—
  - (a) persons involved in letting and managing rental properties and persons occupying rental properties under a tenancy, or
  - (b) persons whom the Welsh Ministers consider to represent the interests of the persons mentioned in paragraph (a),
  - on a draft of the code or a draft of an amended code ("the proposed code").
- (5) If the Welsh Ministers wish to proceed with the proposed code (with or without modifications) they must lay a copy before the National Assembly for Wales.
- (6) The Welsh Ministers must not issue the proposed code in the form of that draft unless it is approved by resolution of the National Assembly for Wales.
- (7) Once approved the code or amended code comes into force on the date appointed by order of the Welsh Ministers.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (8) The Welsh Ministers may withdraw a code made under this section in an amended code or by direction.
- (9) A code approved by the National Assembly for Wales may not be withdrawn unless a proposal to that effect is approved by resolution of the National Assembly.
- (10) The Welsh Ministers must publish each code or amended code issued under this section.