

# Housing (Wales) Act 2014 

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PART 1<br>REGULATION OF PRIVATE RENTED HOUSING<br>Powers of the Welsh Ministers

## 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.
(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(9) A code approved by the National Assembly for Wales may not be withdrawn unless a proposal to that effect is approved by resolution of the National Assembly.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.

