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PART 4

PRIORITY QUALIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL OF QUALIFICATIONS

Priority qualifications

17 Approval of a restricted priority qualification in the absence of section 15 arrangements

- (1) This section applies for the purpose of the approval by Qualifications Wales of a form of a qualification that is a restricted priority qualification, but in respect of which Qualifications Wales does not propose to enter into arrangements under section 15.
- (2) Qualifications Wales may, on an application from a body that is recognised in respect of the award of the qualification concerned, if it considers it appropriate to do so approve a form of the qualification for award in Wales by the body concerned.
- (3) Qualifications Wales must prepare a scheme making provision about—
 - (a) the making of applications for approval under subsection (2);
 - (b) the consideration by Qualifications Wales of those applications.
- (4) Qualifications Wales must exercise its functions in accordance with the scheme.
- (5) The scheme must provide for a procedure that is open, fair and transparent.
- (6) Qualifications Wales may revise the scheme.
- (7) The scheme must be published by Qualifications Wales.
- (8) Subsection (2) is subject to section 21 (power to specify minimum requirements).