



Legislation (Wales) Act 2019

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PART 2

INTERPRETATION AND OPERATION OF WELSH LEGISLATION

Meaning of words and expressions used in Welsh legislation

6 Definitions of words and expressions

- (1) Words and expressions listed in the Table in Schedule 1 are to be interpreted according to that Table where they appear in an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument.
- (2) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations amend Schedule 1 to—
 - (a) insert new definitions of words or expressions;
 - (b) remove definitions of words or expressions;
 - (c) amend definitions of words or expressions.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (2) may make supplementary, incidental, consequential, transitory, transitional or saving provision, which may include provision which amends, repeals, revokes or otherwise modifies any enactment (whenever enacted or made).

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 6(1) in force for specified purposes and s. 6(2)(3) in force at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(b)(c)
- I2** S. 6(1) in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2019/1333, [art. 2](#)

7 Words in the singular include the plural and vice versa

- In an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument—
- (a) words in the singular include the plural;
 - (b) words in the plural include the singular.

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Commencement Information

- I3** S. 7 in force for specified purposes at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(c)
I4 S. 7 in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2019/1333, art. 2](#)

8 Words denoting a gender are not limited to that gender

In an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument, words denoting persons of a particular gender are not to be read as limited to persons of that gender.

Commencement Information

- I5** S. 8 in force for specified purposes at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(c)
I6 S. 8 in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2019/1333, art. 2](#)

9 Variations of a word or expression due to grammar etc.

Where a word or expression in an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument is given a meaning by an enactment, other parts of speech and grammatical forms or modifications of the word or expression are to be interpreted in accordance with that meaning.

Commencement Information

- I7** S. 9 in force for specified purposes at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(c)
I8 S. 9 in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2019/1333, art. 2](#)

10 References to time of day

A reference to the time of day in an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument is a reference to Greenwich mean time; but this is subject to section 3 of the Summer Time Act 1972 (c. 6) (points of time during the period of summer time).

Commencement Information

- I9** S. 10 in force for specified purposes at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(c)
I10 S. 10 in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2019/1333, art. 2](#)

11 References to the Sovereign

A reference to the Sovereign in an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument is to be read as a reference to the Sovereign for the time being.

Commencement Information

- I11** S. 11 in force for specified purposes at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(c)
I12 S. 11 in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2019/1333, art. 2](#)

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12 Measurement of distance

A reference to a distance in an Assembly Act or a Welsh subordinate instrument is a reference to that distance measured in a straight line on a horizontal plane.

Commencement Information

I13 S. 12 in force for specified purposes at 11.9.2019, see s. 44(1)(c)

I14 S. 12 in force at 1.1.2020 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2019/1333](#), [art. 2](#)

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