
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 275

The Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

PART II

GAS SUPPLY AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES

Modification of licences

[^{F1}Modification of conditions of licences

- 14.**—(1) The Authority may make modifications of—
- (a) the conditions of a particular licence;
 - (b) the standard conditions of licences of any type under Article 8(1).
- (2) Before making any modifications under this Article, the Authority must give notice—
- (a) stating that it proposes to make modifications;
 - (b) setting out the proposed modifications and their effect;
 - (c) stating the reasons why it proposes to make the modifications; and
 - (d) specifying the time within which representations with respect to the proposed modifications may be made.
- (3) The time specified by virtue of paragraph (2)(d) may not be less than 28 days from the date of the publication of the notice.
- (4) A notice under paragraph (2) must be given—
- (a) by publishing the notice in such manner as the Authority considers appropriate for the purpose of bringing the notice to the attention of persons likely to be affected by the making of the modifications, and
 - (b) by sending a copy of the notice to—
 - (i) each relevant licence holder,
 - (ii) the Department, and
 - (iii) the General Consumer Council.
- (5) The Authority must consider any representations which are duly made.
- (6) If, within the time specified by virtue of paragraph (2)(d), the Department directs the Authority not to make any modification, the Authority shall comply with the direction.
- (7) Paragraphs (8) to (10) apply where, having complied with paragraphs (2) to (5), the Authority decides to proceed with the making of modifications of the conditions of any licence under this Article.
- (8) The Authority must—

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- (a) publish the decision and the modifications in such manner as it considers appropriate for the purpose of bringing them to the attention of persons likely to be affected by the making of the modifications;
 - (b) state the effect of the modifications;
 - (c) state how it has taken account of any representations duly made; and
 - (d) state the reason for any differences between the modifications and those set out in the notice by virtue of paragraph (2)(b).
- (9) Each modification has effect from the date specified by the Authority in relation to that modification (subject to the giving of a direction under paragraph 2 of Schedule 3A).
- (10) The date specified by virtue of paragraph (9) may not be less than 56 days from the publication of the decision to proceed with the making of modifications under this Article.
- (11) In this Article “relevant licence holder”—
- (a) in relation to the modification of standard conditions of licences of any type, means the holder of a licence of that type—
 - (i) which is to be modified by the inclusion of any new standard condition, or
 - (ii) which includes any standard conditions to which the modifications relate which are in effect at the time specified by virtue of paragraph (2)(d); or
 - (b) in relation to the modification of a condition of a particular licence (other than a standard condition), means the holder of that particular licence.]

F1 Arts. 14-14G substituted (6.2.2015) for art. 14 by [Gas and Electricity Licence Modification and Appeals Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(S.R. 2015/1\)](#), **reg. 3(1)** (with reg. 5)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Art. 14 excluded in part (temp.) (25.10.2022 until the end of the “relevant period”) by [Energy Prices Act 2022 \(c. 44\)](#), s. 30(6), **Sch. 4 para. 2(2)** (with s. 29, Sch. 4 para. 3)

C2 Art. 14(3) applied (6.2.2015) by [Gas and Electricity Licence Modification and Appeals Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(S.R. 2015/1\)](#), **reg. 5(3)(a)** (with reg. 5)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Instrument am. (pt.prosp.) by [1998 c. 41 s.66\(5\)Sch.10 Pt.III para.8](#)
- Instrument amended by [1998 c. 41 s.66\(5\)Sch.10 Pt.V para.18](#)
- Instrument rev. in pt. (prosp.) by [1998 c. 41 ss.66\(5\),74\(3\)](#), Sch.10, Pt.V, para.18, Sch.14, Pt.II

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 18(1A)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2019/93, Sch. 1 para. 7(2)(b) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/1245 reg. 24](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)