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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2016 No. 146**

**The Construction (Design and Management)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

**PART 3**

**HEALTH AND SAFETY DUTIES AND ROLES**

**General duties**

8.—(1) A designer (including a principal designer) or contractor (including a principal contractor) appointed to work on a project shall have the skills, knowledge and experience, and, if they are an organisation, the organisational capability, necessary to fulfil the role that they are appointed to undertake, in a manner that secures the health and safety of any person affected by the project.

(2) A designer or contractor shall not accept an appointment to a project unless they fulfil the conditions in paragraph (1).

(3) A person who is responsible for appointing a designer or contractor to carry out work on a project shall take reasonable steps to satisfy themselves that the designer or contractor fulfils the conditions in paragraph (1).

(4) A person with a duty or function under these Regulations shall cooperate with any other person working on or in relation to a project, at the same or an adjoining construction site, to the extent necessary to enable any person with a duty or function to fulfil that duty or function.

(5) A person working on a project under the control of another shall report to that person anything they are aware of in relation to the project which is likely to endanger their own health or safety or that of others.

(6) Any person who is required by these Regulations to provide information or instruction shall ensure the information or instruction is comprehensible and provided as soon as is practicable.

(7) To the extent that they are applicable to a domestic client, the duties in paragraphs (3), (4) and (6) shall be carried out by the person specified in regulation 7(1).