



Reservoirs Act 1975

1975 CHAPTER 23

[^{F1} Transitional and temporary provisions

[^{F127} Large raised reservoirs not within previous Act.

- (1) Where before the commencement of this Act a qualified civil engineer within the meaning of the ^{M1}Reservoirs (Safety Provisions) Act 1930 has not been employed to design and supervise the construction of a large raised reservoir or an alteration of a reservoir to increase its capacity because the reservoir was not one to which that Act applied, then—
 - (a) notwithstanding that the construction or alteration is not completed at the commencement of this Act, section 6(1) and (5) and section 7 above shall not apply except in so far as section 7 is applied by section 8;
 - (b) whether or not the construction or alteration is so completed, the undertakers shall appoint a qualified civil engineer for purposes of section 8 without being required by a notice from the enforcement authority;
 - (c) if the construction or alteration is so completed, section 6(2) to (4) shall apply in accordance with section 8 as they apply in the case of a construction or alteration carried out wholly after the commencement of this Act.
- (2) If the undertakers fail within six months after the date of the commencement of this Act to appoint a qualified civil engineer as required by subsection (1)(b) above, sections 15 and 22(1) above shall apply as if the undertakers had been served with a notice under section 8 so as to require them to make the appointment by the end of those six months.
- (3) If a [^{F2} relevant authority] are the undertakers and the reservoir is situated wholly in the area of that authority, then notwithstanding anything in section 2(6) above this section shall have effect in relation to the reservoir as it would have effect in relation to it if the undertakers were not a [^{F2} relevant authority], except that the reference to section 15 in subsection (2) above shall not apply.]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Act repealed (S.) (1.4.2016) by [Reservoirs \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(asp 9\)](#), **ss. 8(2)**, 116(1) (with s. 110); [S.S.I. 2016/42, art. 2, sch.](#) (with art. 3)
- F2** Words in s. 27 substituted (1.10.2004) by [Water Act 2003 \(c. 37\)](#), **ss. 74(1)(b)**, 105(3); [S.I. 2004/2528, art. 2\(k\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 8](#))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Ss. 25–28 modified by [S.I. 1986/466, art. 2\(2\)](#), **Sch. 1**

Marginal Citations

- M1** [1930 c. 51](#).

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

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

- s. 1(4B) inserted by [2009 asp 6 s. 84\(2\)](#)
- s. 12C inserted by [2009 asp 6 s. 89](#)
- s. 12ZA inserted by [2009 asp 6 s. 88](#)
- s. 22B inserted by [2009 asp 6 s. 86\(2\)](#)
- s. 27B inserted by [2009 asp 6 s. 90](#)