



Forestry Act 1979

1979 CHAPTER 21

2 **Metrication of measurements.**

- (1) The ^{M1}Forestry Act 1967 is amended as shown in Schedule 1 to this Act (the amendments being substitute metric units of measurement throughout the Act).
- (2) [^{F1}The appropriate authority] may by regulations amend enactments to which this subsection applies so as to substitute—
 - (a) for any reference to a number of acres, a reference to a number of hectares;
 - (b) for any reference to a number of feet, a reference to a number of metres; and
 - (c) for any requirement that plans be made on the scale of 3 chains to an inch, a requirement that they be made on the scale of 1 : 2,500;and for this purpose “number” includes a number less than unity.
- (3) Subsection (2) applies to any enactment contained in an Act (whether public general, local or private) relating to particular forest lands in England and Wales.
- (4) [^{F2}Before any such regulations are made by the Welsh Ministers, they] shall consult such persons and organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be affected.
- (5) The regulations—
 - (a) may contain such incidental, supplementary and consequential provisions (if any) as [^{F3}the appropriate authority] consider expedient; and
 - (b) shall be made by statutory instrument subject to annulment by resolution of either House of Parliament [^{F4}(in the case of regulations made by the Forestry Commissioners) or of the National Assembly for Wales (in the case of regulations made by the Welsh Ministers)].
- [^{F5}(6) In this section “the appropriate authority” means—
 - (a) in relation to England, the Forestry Commissioners;
 - (b) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers.]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 2(2) substituted (1.4.2013) by [The Natural Resources Body for Wales \(Functions\) Order 2013 \(No. 755\), art. 1\(2\), Sch. 2 para. 157\(2\)](#) (with Sch. 7)
- F2** Words in s. 2(4) substituted (26.5.2015) by [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\), s. 115\(3\)\(l\), Sch. 22 para. 6](#)
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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** The text of s. 2(1) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

- M1** [1967 c. 10.](#)

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