



Clean Air Act 1993

1993 CHAPTER 11

PART III

SMOKE CONTROL AREAS

Creation of smoke control areas

18 Declaration of smoke control area by local authority.

- (1) A local authority may by order declare the whole or any part of the district of the authority to be a smoke control area; and any order made under this section is referred to in this Act as a “smoke control order”.
- (2) A smoke control order—
 - (a) may make different provision for different parts of the smoke control area;
 - (b) may limit the operation of section 20 (prohibition of emissions of smoke [^{F1}in Wales]) [^{F2}or Schedule 1A (penalty for emission of smoke in England)] to specified classes of building in the area; and
 - (c) may exempt specified buildings or classes of building or specified fireplaces or classes of fireplace in the area from the operation of that section [^{F3}or Schedule], upon such conditions as may be specified in the order;and the reference in paragraph (c) to specified buildings or classes of building include a reference to any specified, or to any specified classes of, fixed boiler or industrial plant.

[^{F4}(2A) For the purposes of this Part a smoke control order in England “applies” to a building, fireplace, fixed boiler or industrial plant if the operation of Schedule 1A is not excluded in relation to it by virtue of subsection (2)(b) or (c).]

- (3) A smoke control order may be revoked or varied by a subsequent order.
- (4) The provisions of Schedule 1 apply to the coming into operation of smoke control orders.

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