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SCHEDULE 4

SINGLE SOURCE REGULATIONS OFFICE

Suspension from office

- 4 (1) This paragraph applies where a person is suspended under paragraph 3(5).
- (2) The Secretary of State must give notice of the decision to the person; and the suspension takes effect on receipt by the person of the notice.
- (3) The notice may be—
- (a) delivered in person (in which case, the person is taken to receive it when it is delivered), or
 - (b) sent by first-class post to the person's last known address (in which case, the person is taken to receive it on the third day after the day on which it is posted).
- (4) The initial period of suspension must not exceed six months.
- (5) The Secretary of State may at any time review the suspension.
- (6) The Secretary of State—
- (a) must review the suspension if requested in writing by the person to do so, but
 - (b) need not review the suspension less than three months after the beginning of the initial period of suspension.
- (7) Following a review during a period of suspension, the Secretary of State may—
- (a) revoke the suspension, or
 - (b) suspend the person for another period of not more than six months from the expiry of the current period.
- (8) The Secretary of State must revoke the suspension if the Secretary of State decides—
- (a) that there are no grounds to remove the person from office under paragraph 3(4), or
 - (b) that there are grounds to do so but does not remove the person from office under that provision.

Commencement Information

II [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force at 14.7.2014 by [S.I. 2014/1751](#), [art. 3\(g\)](#)

- 5 (1) Where a person is suspended from office as the chair under paragraph 3(5), the Secretary of State may appoint a non-executive member as interim chair to exercise the chair's functions.
- (2) Appointment as interim chair is for a term not exceeding the shorter of—

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- (a) the period ending with either—
 - (i) the appointment of a new chair, or
 - (ii) the revocation or expiry of the existing chair's suspension, and
 - (b) the remainder of the interim chair's term as a non-executive member.
- (3) A person who ceases to be the interim chair is eligible for reappointment.

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I2 Sch. 4 para. 5 in force at 14.7.2014 by S.I. 2014/1751, art. 3(g)

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- s. 25(8A) inserted by [2023 c. 54 Sch. 10 para. 13\(3\)](#)
- s. 35A inserted by [2023 c. 54 Sch. 10 para. 19](#)