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The Simple Pressure Vessels (Safety) Regulations 1991

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SCHEDULE 3 — DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING SCHEDULE

1. The design and manufacturing schedule must contain a description of...
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- Sch. 5 para. 1(b) word inserted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(g\)\(i\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 2(b) word inserted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(g\)\(v\)](#)
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- Sch. 5 para. 1(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2014/469 Sch. 3 para. 52\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 3(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2015/1630 Sch. 2 para. 19\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Regulations continued (with modifications) by [S.I. 2016/1092, reg. 77\(2\)\(2A\)\(a\)](#) (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/696 Sch. 21 para. 38](#)
- Regulations revoked by [S.I. 2016/1092 reg. 77\(1\)](#)
- Regulations words substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(a\)](#)
- reg. 2(3) word omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 3\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 2(3) words deleted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 2(3) words inserted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 3\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 2(3) words omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 2(3) words substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 3\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 2(5) substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 3(1) substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(b\)](#)
- reg. 4(1)(c) word omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(c\)](#)
- reg. 4(1)(c) words added by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(c\)](#)
- reg. 4(3)(b) word omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(c\)](#)
- reg. 4(3)(b) words added by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(c\)](#)
- reg. 4(4) words inserted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(c\)](#)
- reg. 4(5) words substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(d\)](#)
- reg. 5 substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(d\)](#)
- reg. 6(2) substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(e\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 12 substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(f\)](#)
- reg. 14(1) omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(g\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 14(2) substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(g\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 14(3) omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(g\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 14(4) omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(g\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 18 omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(h\)](#)
- reg. 19 substituted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(i\)](#)
- reg. 20(2)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 4\(j\)](#)
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- Sch. 5 para. 1(b)(v) omitted by [S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6\(g\)\(ii\)](#)

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- Sch. 5 para. 1(b)(viii)(aa)(C) omitted by S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6(g)(ii)
- Sch. 5 para. 2(b)(viii)(aa)(C) omitted by S.I. 1994/3098 reg. 6(g)(vi)
- Sch. 5 para. 3(c)(iv)-(vi) omitted by S.I. 2015/1630 Sch. 2 para. 19(a)(ii)
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