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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 909**

**BUILDING AND BUILDINGS, ENGLAND**

**The Building (Higher-Risk Buildings  
Procedures) (England) Regulations 2023**

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**THE BUILDING (HIGHER-RISK BUILDINGS  
PROCEDURES) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2023**

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9. Notice before starting on site and further notice when work is “commenced”

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## SCHEDULE 1 — Documents

1. Competence declaration
2. Construction control plan
3. Change control plan
4. Building Regulations compliance statement
5. Fire and emergency file

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6. Partial completion strategy

SCHEDULE 2 — Exempt work

1. Work consisting of— (a) in relation to an existing fixed...
2. Installation of thermal insulation to suspended timber floors where the...
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