STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 295

BUILDING REGULATIONS

Building (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

Made - - - -	*13th June 2005*
Coming into operation	*3rd October 2005*

The Department of Finance and Personnel, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 3 and 5(1) of, and paragraphs 4 and 22 of Schedule 1 to the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979(**1**) and now vested in it(**2**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, after consultation with the Building Regulations Advisory Committee and such other bodies as appear to the Department to be representative of the interests concerned, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Building (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 3rd October 2005.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000(**3**).

Transitional provisions

3.—(1) The principal Regulations shall continue to apply to –

(a) plans deposited or a building notice given in accordance with the principal Regulations before the commencement of these Regulations;

(b) building work carried out in accordance with such plans or such a building notice with or without any departure or deviation therefrom; and

(c) building work completed before the commencement of these Regulations, as if the amendments effected by these Regulations had not been made.

(2) In paragraph (1) –

(**1**) S.I.1979/1709 (N.I. 16); Article 5(1) was amended by S.I. 1990/1510 (N.I. 14), Article 38(1) and Sch. 1, Part II
(**2**) *See*S.R. 1999 No. 481Art. 6 and Sch. 4, Part II
(**3**) S.R. 2000 No. 389

(a) "building notice" means a notice given under regulation A10(1) of the principal Regulations; and

(b) "building work" has the same meaning as in those Regulations.

Amendment of the principal Regulations

4.—(1) The principal Regulations shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In paragraph (1) of regulation A2 (Interpretation) after the definition "SAP ENERGY RATING" there shall be inserted the following definition –

"SCHOOL has the same meaning as in the Education and Libraries (Northern Ireland) Order 1986;"

(3) In paragraph (2) of regulation E1 (Application and interpretation), in the definition of internal linings, after the word "materials" there shall be inserted the words "or products".

(4) In paragraph (b) of regulation E3 (Internal fire spread – Linings) after the word "release" there shall be inserted the words "or a low rate of fire growth".

(5) For Table E of Schedule 5 there shall be substituted the Table set out in the Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 13th June 2005.

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Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE Regulation 4(5)

"**Table E**

(Fire safety)

Regulations (1)	Buildings (2)	Publications (3)	Amendments (4)
E2 Means of escape	a dwellinghouse	DFP Technical Booklet E: 2005: Sections 1 and 6	–
	a flat or maisonette	BS 5588-1: 1990; and	AMD 7840 AMD 14988
		DFP Technical Booklet E: 2005: Paragraphs 1.34 and 1.35 and Section 6	–
	a hospital or residential health care building	Northern Ireland Firecode	March 2005
	a house in multiple occupation	Section 5 of DOE Circular 12/92 published by Department of the Environment: 1992	–
	a hotel or boarding house	Chapters 13 and 14 of the Guide to Fire Precautions in Premises Used as Hotels and Boarding Houses Which Require a Fire Certificate published by Home Office: 1991; and BS 5588-8: 1999	– AMD 14992
	an office	(a) DFP Technical Booklet E: 2005:	–
		Sections 1 and 6; and BS 5588-8: 1999; or	AMD 14992
		(b) BS 5588-11: 1997; and	AMD 9838

Note –

Other than spectator accommodation at sports grounds.