

**2012 No. 375**

**BUILDING REGULATIONS**

**The Building (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland)  
2012**

*Made* - - - - - *10th October 2012*

*Coming into operation* - *31st October 2012*

The Department of Finance and Personnel, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 3 and 18(5) of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979(a) and now vested in it(b), and after consultation with the Building Regulations Advisory Committee and such other bodies as appear to be representative of the interests concerned(c), makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Building (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 and shall come into operation on 31st October 2012.

**Interpretation**

2. In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012(d).

**Amendment to Regulation 3 (Transitional provisions) of the principal Regulations**

3. The principal Regulations are amended as follows—

- (a) in regulation 3(2) for “These” substitute “Subject to paragraph (4), these”; and
- (b) after regulation 3(3) insert—

“(4) In relation to work or building work and a material change of use referred to in paragraph (2), a district council may serve a contravention notice under Article 18 of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (including a notice in respect of anything of which particulars were not required to be shown in the plans deposited with the district council) at any time up to 12 months from the date of completion of the work in question.”.

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(a) S.I.1979/1709 (N.I. 16) as amended by S.I. 1990/1510 (N.I. 14), Article 38(1) and Schedule 1, Part II and 2009 c.4  
(b) See S.R. 1999 No.481 Article 6 and Schedule 4, Part II  
(c) S.I. 1979/1709 (N.I. 16) Article 5(4)  
(d) S.R. 2012 No.192

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 10th October 2012



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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (the principal Regulations) and they come into operation on 31st October 2012.

These Regulations amend Part A of the principal Regulations as follows—

Regulation 3(2) has been amended and a new paragraph 3(4) has been introduced to prescribe a timescale for issuing a contravention notice under Article 18 of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 in relation to work completed on plans deposited before the 31st October 2012.

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