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BUILDING ACT 1984

Insurance Schemes for Approved Inspectors pursuant to section 47(6) of the Building Act 1984

INTRODUCTION

1. I am writing to inform you that the Welsh Ministers have approved the professional indemnity and public liability insurance policies offered by Howden Insurance Brokers Limited, t/a Howden Windsor as an addition to the currently approved insurance schemes offered by insurers for approved inspectors in Wales. The approval takes effect on 1 March 2014 and will continue in effect until withdrawn by the Welsh Ministers.

NEW APPROVAL

2. To gain approval insurance schemes must comply with a set of criteria for approval The Welsh Ministers have approved, under section 47(6) of the Building Act 1984 the Howden Insurance Brokers Limited t/a Howden Windsor scheme, having determined that it meets the criteria. A copy of the notice of approval can be found at the Welsh Government website:
<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/planning/buildingregs/?lang=en>

The contact details for Howden Windsor at **Annex A**.

APPLICATION OF SCHEME OF INSURANCE

3. The approval relates to building work in Wales, but not in respect of building work on excepted energy buildings¹ in Wales or the buildings of the Crown or statutory undertakers in Wales, covered by initial notices given under section 47(1) of the Building Act 1984 by inspectors approved under section 49 of the Building Act 1984 and regulations 4 and 5 of the Building (Approved Inspectors etc.) Regulations 2010.

OTHER APPROVED SCHEMES OF INSURANCE FOR APPROVED INSPECTORS

4. There are currently two approved insurance schemes for approved inspectors. NHBC (National House-Building Council) who only insure their own approved inspectors and Griffiths and Armour who offer insurance to all approved inspectors on the open market.

¹ As defined by the Schedule to the Welsh Ministers (Transfer of Functions) (No. 2) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/3019).

ENQUIRIES

5. Any enquiries in relation to this Circular Letter should be addressed to:

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Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Francois Samuel'.

Francois Samuel
Head of Building Regulations

Annex A

Details of insurance provider for Approved Inspectors approved under S. 47(6) of the Building Act 1984

| Name & Address | Telephone / e mail | Approval commences |
|---|--|--------------------|
| Howden Insurance Brokers Limited ² 71 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 4BS | Telephone: 020 7133 1400 stephen.dando@howdenwindsor.com | 1 March 2014 |

² A company authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority to offer insurance products with an authorisation number 312584.