



National Audit Act 1983

1983 CHAPTER 44

PART II

ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS EXAMINATIONS

8 Right to obtain documents and information.

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) below ^{F1}... , the Comptroller and Auditor General shall have a right of access at all reasonable times to all such documents as he may reasonably require for carrying out any examination under section 6 [^{F2}, 7 or 7ZA] above and shall be entitled to require from any person holding or accountable for any such document such information and explanation as are reasonably necessary for that purpose.
- (2) [^{F3} In the case of an examination under section 6 or 7,] Subsection (1) above applies only to documents in the custody or under the control of [^{F4} —
 - (a)] the department, authority or body to which the examination relates [^{F5}, or
 - (b) where the examination relates in whole or in part to the use of resources by the department, authority or body to fund a relevant authority, that relevant authority.]

- [^{F6}(2A) In the case of an examination under section 7ZA, subsection (1) applies only to documents in the custody or under the control of—
- (a) a relevant authority to which the examination relates, or
 - (b) where the examination is undertaken for a purpose within section 7ZA(3)(a), a department to which section 6 applies and which funds a relevant authority to which the examination relates.]

^{F7}(3)

^{F7}(4)

^{F8}(5)

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 8(1) omitted (1.4.2018) by virtue of Wales Act 2017 (c. 4), s. 71(4), **Sch. 6 para. 34(2)** (with **Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 9**); S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 3(r)
- F2** Words in s. 8(1) substituted (4.4.2014) by Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (c. 2), **ss. 35(3)**, 49(1); S.I. 2014/900, art. 2(d)
- F3** Words in s. 8(2) inserted (4.4.2014) by Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (c. 2), **ss. 35(4)(a)**, 49(1); S.I. 2014/900, art. 2(d)
- F4** Word in s. 8(2) inserted (4.4.2014) by Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (c. 2), **ss. 35(4)(b)**, 49(1); S.I. 2014/900, art. 2(d)
- F5** S. 8(2)(b) and word inserted (4.4.2014) by Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (c. 2), **ss. 35(4)(c)**, 49(1); S.I. 2014/900, art. 2(d)
- F6** S. 8(2A) inserted (4.4.2014) by Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (c. 2), **ss. 35(5)**, 49(1); S.I. 2014/900, art. 2(d)
- F7** S. 8(3)(4) omitted (1.4.2018) by virtue of Wales Act 2017 (c. 4), s. 71(4), **Sch. 6 para. 34(3)** (with **Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 9**); S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 3(r)
- F8** S. 8(5) omitted (1.4.2018) by virtue of Wales Act 2017 (c. 4), s. 71(4), **Sch. 6 para. 34(3)** (with **Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 9**); S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 3(r)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 8 restricted (E.W.) by Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40, SIF 41:1), ss. 135(2)(b), 231(7), 235(6)
- C2** S. 8 restricted (16.5.1992) by Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 (c. 37), s. 12, **Sch. 2 para. 19(b)**; S.I. 1992/817, art. 3(2), **Sch.1**.
- C3** S. 8 restricted (30.9.1992) by Further and Higher Education Act 1992 (c. 13), **s. 53(2)(b)**; S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, **Sch.2**.
- C4** S. 8 restricted (1.4.1993) by Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 (c. 37), **s. 53(2)(b)**; S.I. 1992/817, art. 3(2), **Sch.4**.
 S. 8 applied (30.11.2000) by 2000 c. 41, s. 1(6), **Sch. 1 para. 16(2)** (with s. 156(6))
 S. 8 applied (N.I.) (*prosp.*) by 2000 c. 32, **ss. 29(3)**, 30(4), 79(1)
- C5** S. 8 applied (1.4.2010) by Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20), s. 148(3)(b), **Sch. 1 para. 13(2)**; S.I. 2009/3318, art. 4(dd)
- C6** S. 8 applied by 2000 c. 41, **Sch. 1 para. 16C(5)** (as inserted (E.W.) (1.10.2020) by Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020 (anaw 1), **ss. 28(2)**, 42(3)(b); S.I. 2020/1052, art. 2(a))

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