



# Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004

## 2004 CHAPTER 21

### PART 2

#### FUNCTIONS OF FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITIES

##### *Assistance in discharge of functions*

#### 13 Reinforcement schemes

- (1) A fire and rescue authority must, so far as practicable, enter into a reinforcement scheme with other fire and rescue authorities.
- (2) A reinforcement scheme is a scheme for securing mutual assistance as between fire and rescue authorities for the purpose of discharging the functions conferred under section 7, 8 or 9 on any of the authorities participating in the scheme.
- (3) A reinforcement scheme may make provision for apportioning between the authorities participating in the scheme any expenses incurred in taking measures to secure the efficient operation of the scheme.
- (4) The fire and rescue authorities participating in a reinforcement scheme must notify the Secretary of State of—
  - (a) the making of the scheme;
  - (b) the variation of the scheme;
  - (c) the revocation of the scheme.
- (5) The fire and rescue authorities participating in a reinforcement scheme must give effect to it.

#### **Commencement Information**

- II** S. 13 in force at 7.9.2004 for specified purposes except in relation to W. and 1.10.2004 otherwise except in relation to W. by [S.I. 2004/2304](#), [art. 2](#) (with [art. 3](#))

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