

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

INTERACTION WITH OTHER AUTHORITIES

PART 2

EXERCISE OF FUNCTIONS

Inspection programmes and inspection frameworks

- 5 (1) The Commission must from time to time, or at such times as the Secretary of State may specify by order, prepare—
- (a) a document setting out what inspections it proposes to carry out (an “inspection programme”), and
 - (b) a document setting out the manner in which it proposes to exercise its functions of inspecting and reporting (an “inspection framework”).
- (2) Before preparing an inspection programme or an inspection framework the Commission must consult—
- (a) the Secretary of State,
 - (b) the inspection authorities, and
 - (c) any other person or body specified by an order made by the Secretary of State,
- and it must send to each of those persons or bodies a copy of each programme or framework once it is prepared.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by order specify the form that inspection programmes or inspection frameworks are to take.
- (4) The Commission may determine that any document or combination of documents prepared for the purposes of any other enactment or enactments is to be treated as a document prepared for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(b) (so long as any requirements applying under or by virtue of this paragraph are complied with in relation to the document or documents concerned).
- (5) Nothing in any inspection programme or inspection framework is to be read as preventing the Commission from making visits without notice.