



# Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004

## 2004 CHAPTER 21

### PART 3

#### ADMINISTRATION

##### *Supervision*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>28A Inspection programme and inspection framework etc: England**

- (1) The chief fire and rescue inspector for England must from time to time prepare—
  - (a) a document setting out what inspections of fire and rescue authorities in England the English inspectors propose to carry out under section 28(A3) (an “inspection programme”);
  - (b) a document setting out the manner in which the English inspectors propose to carry out the function conferred on them by section 28(A3) (an “inspection framework”).
- (2) The chief fire and rescue inspector for England must obtain the approval of the Secretary of State to an inspection programme or inspection framework before the English inspectors act in accordance with it.
- (3) The Secretary of State may at any time require the chief fire and rescue inspector for England to carry out, or arrange for another English inspector to carry out, an inspection under section 28(A3) of—
  - (a) a fire and rescue authority in England;
  - (b) all fire and rescue authorities in England;
  - (c) all fire and rescue authorities in England of a particular type.
- (4) A requirement imposed under subsection (3) may limit the inspection to a particular matter.
- (5) The chief fire and rescue inspector for England or, at the request of that inspector, any other English inspector may carry out an inspection under section 28(A3) of a fire and

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rescue authority in England that has not been set out in an inspection programme (and has not been required under subsection (3)).

- (6) Before deciding to carry out, or to request another English inspector to carry out, an inspection of a fire and rescue authority in England that has not been set out in an inspection programme, the chief fire and rescue inspector for England must consult the Secretary of State.
- (7) Nothing in an inspection programme or inspection framework is to be read as preventing an English inspector from making a visit without notice.
- (8) In this section “English inspector” means an inspector appointed under section 28(A1).]

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#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 28A inserted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 17.7.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Policing and Crime Act 2017 \(c. 3\)](#), **ss. 11(4)**, 183(1)(5)(e); S.I. 2017/726, reg. 2(b)

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