Draft Order laid before Senedd Cymru under section 150(2)(f) of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011, for approval by resolution of Senedd Cymru.

DRAFT WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. (W.)

WELSH LANGUAGE

The Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 (Amendment of Schedule 6) Order 2025

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 1) ("the Measure") makes provision for the specification of standards of conduct in relation to the Welsh language ("standards").

Section 25 of the Measure provides that a person must comply with a standard of conduct specified by the Welsh Ministers if, and for as long as, six conditions are met. Condition 1 is that the person is liable to be required to comply with standards. Condition 2 is that the standard is potentially applicable to the person. The other conditions are not relevant to this Order.

Section 33 of the Measure provides that a person is liable to be required to comply with standards if the person is (a) within Schedule 5 and also within Schedule 6, or (b) within Schedule 7 and also within Schedule 8. A person is within Schedule 5 if the person falls within a category of persons specified in column 2 of the table in Schedule 5. A person is within Schedule 6 if the person (a) is specified in column 1 of the table in Schedule 6 ("the Schedule 6 table"), or (b) is within a category of persons specified in that column. Schedules 7 and 8 are not relevant to this Order.

Section 36 provides that a standard is potentially applicable to a person if the standard belongs to a class of standard that is specified in column 2 of the person's entry in the Schedule 6 table. Each of the following is a class of standard—

- (i) service delivery standards;
- (ii) policy making standards;
- (iii) operational standards;
- (iv) promotion standards;
- (v) record keeping standards.

Section 35 enables the Welsh Ministers, by order, to amend the Schedule 6 table so that it includes a reference to a person who falls within one or more of the Schedule 5 categories or a category of persons all of whom fall within one or more of the Schedule 5 categories.

Section 38 enables the Welsh Ministers, by order, to amend the Schedule 6 table so that column 2 of an entry includes a reference to one or more of the following—

- (i) service delivery standards;
- (ii) policy making standards;
- (iii) operational standards;
- (iv) record keeping standards.

This Order amends Schedule 6 to the Measure by inserting the Adjudication Panel for Wales, the Boundary Commission for Wales and the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales into Schedule 6 and specifying classes of standard in column 2 of each person's entry.

This Order is connected to the Welsh Language Standards (No. 1, No. 2, No. 4, No. 6 and No. 7) Regulations (Amendment) Regulations 2025. The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to those Regulations and this Order. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared dealing with those Regulations and this Order. A copy can be obtained from the Cymraeg 2050 Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ and is published on www.gov.wales.

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Made ***

Coming into force

26 March 2025

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 35 and 38 of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011(1), having received the approval of Senedd Cymru(2) in accordance with section 150(2) of that Measure, make the following Order.

Title and coming into force

- 1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 (Amendment of Schedule 6) Order 2025.
 - (2) This Order comes into force on 26 March 2025.

Amendment of Schedule 6

2. In the table in Schedule 6(3) (public bodies etc: standards) to the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011, under the "General" heading at the appropriate places insert—

^{(1) 2011} nawm 1.

⁽²⁾ The reference in section 150(2) to the National Assembly for Wales now has effect as a reference to Senedd Cymru, by virtue of section 150A(2) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

⁽³⁾ There are amendments to Schedule 6 that are not relevant to this Order.

"Adjudication Panel for Wales ("Panel Dyfarnu Cymru")	Service delivery standards Policy making standards
	Operational standards Record keeping standards"
"Boundary Commission for Wales ("Comisiwn Ffiniau i Gymru")	Service delivery standards Policy making standards Operational standards Record keeping standards"
"Future Generations Commissioner for Wales ("Comisiynydd Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol Cymru")	Service delivery standards Policy making standards Operational standards Record keeping standards"

Name
Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language,
one of the Welsh Ministers
Date