

This monthly legislation briefing is a supplement to your Activ Comply service to help you to plan ahead for maintenance of your ISO 14001, ISO 45001, ISO 50001 and ISO 27001 systems. In addition to giving you advance warning about important legislation that will affect your compliance with the standards, we'll provide news, newly-published guidance and government consultations that you might find useful, as well as any other significant legislation beyond the scope of the standards listed that will potentially impact your organisation. Unlike other services, we only report items of value: we don't waste your time on items such as an increase in administrative fees or changes that only affect enforcement agencies.

When legislative changes are announced with short notice (<1 month) they are not reported here. All changes are automatically delivered direct into your <u>Activ Comply</u> system as they come into effect so you can be confident that you are always 100% up to date.

Parliament's summer recess has meant that there is little in the way of new legislation to report in this month's Legislation Outlook. However, with a new Prime Minister and Parliament set to return next week, we can expect to see more relevant legislation for next month's issue.



# **Upcoming Standard Related Legislation**

#### ISO 14001

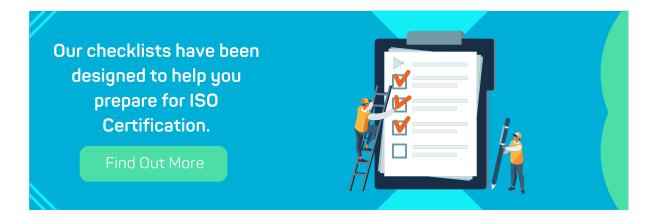
#### Beavers (England) Order 2022

This <u>Order</u> comes into force on 1 October 2022 to make the Eurasian beaver a European protected species following its recent re-introduction into England. The Order amends Schedule 2 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 in order to make it an offence to deliberately capture, kill, disturb or injure beavers in England. It will also be an offence to damage or destroy breeding sites or resting places.

#### ISO 45001

#### Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Act 2022

This <u>Act</u> introduces a licensing system in Scotland that will restrict the sale, possession and use of certain kinds of fireworks and pyrotechnic articles. Businesses that sell fireworks will need to confirm that purchasers either have a licence or don't require one. The sale of certain fireworks will also be restricted to certain times of the year, including Vaisakhi, Guy Fawkes Day, Hogmanay, Chinese New Year and Diwali. As yet, no commencement date has been announced.



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### News

#### **Building Safety Regulator to Require Demonstration of Competence**

Building control professionals and private sector building control organisations will have to register with the Health and Safety Executive (in its new role as the Building Safety Regulator or 'BSR') from October 2023 as part of the new post-Grenfell building safety reforms. The BSR will require professionals and organisations to demonstrate their competence before accepting them onto the register.

A final decision has yet to be made about how competency can be demonstrated; current options being consider include completing the Building Safety Competence Foundation assessment, academic qualifications, NVQs and experience on the job. The HSE are expected to issue a consultation on their proposals shortly.

## **Consultations**

#### **Water Fittings**

The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs and the Welsh Government have issued a <u>consultation</u> seeking views on their proposed updates to Regulator Specifications made under the Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999, in particular to stop cistern water from re-entering drinking water in properties, and to understand the causes of leaking toilet valves which cause a loss of water. The consultation closes on 3 October 2022.





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