

# Legislation Outlook

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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 [Activ Comply](#) system as they come into effect so you can be confident that you are always 100% up to date.

**A quiet month for standard-related legislation, but you may still find something of interest in the news, guidance, and consultations that we have brought to you this month.**

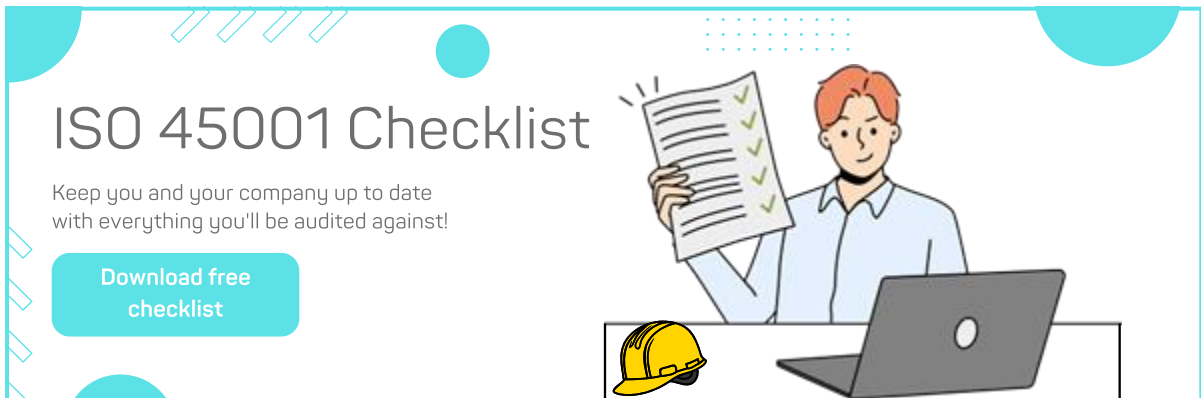
## Upcoming Standard-Related Legislation

### ISO 45001

#### Building etc. (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2022

These [Regulations](#) come into force on 26 December 2022 to amend the Building Regulations 2010 by requiring new dwellings to be 'gigabit-ready'. Existing superfast broadband requirements for new dwellings in the 2010 Regulations are removed and replaced with requirements for developers to ensure that dwellings are equipped with gigabit-ready physical infrastructure and provided with a connection to a gigabit-capable public electronic communications network (provided the connection can be secured without exceeding a £2,000 per dwelling cost cap).

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## News

### HSE Launches Manual Handling in Construction Campaign

The Health and Safety Executive plan to carry out 1,000 inspections of construction sites in October and November to ensure that workers are protected from serious aches, pains and strains caused by lifting and moving heavy objects. Around 40,000 people in the construction industry suffer musculoskeletal disorders in the construction industry every year as a result of manual handling.

### Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Postponed

The second reading of the Bill was due to take place on 5 September but was delayed following the announcement of the UK's new Prime Minister. The Bill, the UK's post-Brexit replacement for the EU's GDPR, has yet to be rescheduled for a second reading. The Leader of the House's statement that a delay would allow "ministers to further consider this legislation" has led to speculation that the Bill will be amended heavily by Ministers before Parliament considers it again.

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## Guidance

### Fire Safety in Construction

The Health and Safety Executive has published a revised version of its guidance on fire safety in construction [HSG168](#). The changes in the new third edition focus on the elimination and/or reduction of fire risks during the design phase of construction, as required by the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015.



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## Consultations

### Mandatory Water Efficiency Labelling

The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs has launched a [consultation](#) seeking views on plans to introduce mandatory water efficiency labelling across the UK. The proposals set out labelling requirements for water-using products such as taps, showers, toilets, dishwashers and washing machines. The consultation closes on 25 November 2022.

### Hydrogen Transport and Storage

The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy has issued a [consultation](#) following the Government's commitment in April this year to design new business models for hydrogen transportation and storage infrastructure by 2025. The consultation is also seeking views on:

- the need for a strategic planning function to guide the rollout of hydrogen transport and storage infrastructure, and potential implementation options;
- whether the existing market framework and industry commercial arrangements are optimal for supporting the deployment of hydrogen transport and storage infrastructure;

- the suitability of the non-economic regulatory framework across the hydrogen value chain; and
- the extent to which blending might help provide market-building benefits for the hydrogen economy, including by bringing forward investment in hydrogen production while larger-scale hydrogen transport and storage infrastructure is being developed.

The consultation ends on 22 November 2022

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