

COMPLIANCE NOTICE – SECTION 44 WELSH LANGUAGE (WALES) MEASURE 2011

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Standard Number	Class of Standard	Standard	Imposition Day
1	Service Delivery	If you receive correspondence from a person in Welsh you must reply	25/01/2017
		in Welsh (if an answer is required), unless the person has indicated	
		that there is no need to reply in Welsh.	
2	Service Delivery	When you correspond with an individual ("A") for the first time, you	25/01/2017
		must ask A whether A wishes to receive correspondence from you in	
		Welsh, and if A responds to say that A wishes to receive	
		correspondence in Welsh you must—	
		(a) keep a record of A's wish,	
		(b) correspond with A in Welsh when corresponding with A from then	
		onwards, and	
		(c) send any forms you send to A from then onwards in Welsh.	
4	Service Delivery	When you send the same correspondence to several persons, you	25/01/2017
		must send a Welsh language version of the correspondence at the	
		same time as you send any English language version.	
5	Service Delivery	If you don't know whether a person wishes to receive	25/01/2017
		correspondence from you in Welsh, when you correspond with that	
		person you must provide a Welsh language version of the	
		correspondence.	

6	Service Delivery	If you produce a Welsh language version and a corresponding English language version of correspondence, you must not treat the Welsh language version less favourably than the English language version (for example, if the English version is signed, or if contact details are provided on the English version, then the Welsh version must be treated in the same way).	25/01/2017
7	Service Delivery	You must state — (a) in correspondence, and (b) in publications and notices that invite persons to respond to you or to correspond with you, that you welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh, that you will respond to correspondence in Welsh, and that corresponding in Welsh will not lead to delay.	25/01/2017
8	Service Delivery	When a person contacts you on your main telephone number (or numbers), or on any helpline numbers or call centre numbers, you must greet the person in Welsh.	25/01/2017
9	Service Delivery	When a person contacts you on your main telephone number (or numbers), or on any helpline numbers or call centre numbers, you must inform the person that a Welsh language service is available.	25/01/2017
11	Service Delivery	When a person contacts you on your main telephone number (or numbers), or on any helpline numbers or call centre numbers, you must deal with the call in Welsh if that is the person's wish until such point as — (a) it is necessary to transfer the call to a member of staff who does not speak Welsh who can provide a service on a specific subject matter; and (b) no Welsh speaking member of staff is available to provide a service on that specific subject matter.	25/01/2017

12	Service Delivery	When you advertise telephone numbers, helpline numbers or call	25/01/2017
		centre services, you must not treat the Welsh language less	
		favourably than the English language.	
13	Service Delivery	If you offer a Welsh language service on your main telephone	25/01/2017
		number (or numbers), on any helpline numbers or call centre	
		numbers, the telephone number for the Welsh language service must	
		be the same as for the corresponding English language service.	
14	Service Delivery	When you publish your main telephone number, or any helpline	25/01/2017
		numbers or call centre service numbers, you must state (in Welsh)	
		that you welcome calls in Welsh.	
15	Service Delivery	If you have performance indicators for dealing with telephone calls,	25/01/2017
		you must ensure that those performance indicators do not treat	
		telephone calls made in Welsh any less favourably than calls made in	
		English.	
16	Service Delivery	Your main telephone call answering service (or services) must inform	25/01/2017
		persons calling, in Welsh, that they can leave a message in Welsh.	
17	Service Delivery	When there is no Welsh language service available on your main	25/01/2017
		telephone number (or numbers), or on any helpline numbers or call	
		centre numbers, you must inform persons calling in Welsh (by way of	
		an automated message or other), when a Welsh language service	
		will be available.	
19	Service Delivery	If a person contacts one of your departments on a direct line	25/01/2017
		telephone number (including on staff members' direct line numbers),	
		and that person wishes to receive a service in Welsh, you must deal	
		with the call in Welsh until such point as —	
		(a) it is necessary to transfer the call to a member of staff who does	
		not speak Welsh who can provide a service on a specific subject	
		matter; and	

		(b) no Welsh speaking member of staff is available to provide a service on that specific subject matter.	
20	Service Delivery	When a person contacts you on a direct line number (whether on a department's direct line number or on the direct line number of a member of staff), you must ensure that, when greeting the person, the Welsh language is not treated less favourably than the English language.	24/11/2017
21	Service Delivery	When you telephone an individual ("A") for the first time you must ask A whether A wishes to receive telephone calls from you in Welsh, and if A responds to say that A wishes to receive telephone calls in Welsh you must keep a record of that wish, and conduct telephone calls made to A from then onwards in Welsh.	25/01/2017
24	Service Delivery	If you invite one person only ("P") to a meeting you must ask P whether P wishes to use the Welsh language at the meeting, and inform P that you will, if necessary, provide a translation service from Welsh to English for that purpose.	25/07/2017
24A	Service Delivery	If you have invited one person only ("P") to a meeting and P has informed you that P wishes to use the Welsh language at the meeting, you must arrange for a simultaneous translation service from Welsh to English to be available at the meeting (unless you conduct the meeting in Welsh without the assistance of a translation service).	25/07/2017
25	Service Delivery	If you invite more than one person to a meeting, you must ask each person whether they wish to use the Welsh language at the meeting.	25/07/2017
25A	Service Delivery	If you have invited more than one person to a meeting, and at least 10% (but less than 100%) of the persons invited have informed you that they wish to use the Welsh language at the meeting, you must arrange for a simultaneous translation service from Welsh to English	25/07/2017

		to be available at the meeting.	
25D	Service Delivery	If you have invited more than one person to a meeting, and all of the	25/07/2017
		persons invited have informed you that they wish to use the Welsh	
		language at the meeting, you must arrange for a simultaneous	
		translation service from Welsh to English to be available at the	
		meeting (unless you conduct the meeting in Welsh without the	
		assistance of a translation service).	
26	Service Delivery	If you arrange a meeting that is open to the public you must state on	25/01/2017
		any material advertising it, and on any invitation to it, that anyone	
		attending is welcome to use the Welsh language at the meeting.	
27	Service Delivery	When you send invitations to a meeting that you arrange which is	25/01/2017
		open to the public, you must send the invitations in Welsh.	
28	Service Delivery	If you invite persons to speak at a meeting that you arrange which is	25/01/2017
		open to the public you must —	
		(a) ask each person invited to speak whether he or she wishes to use	
		the Welsh language, and	
		(b) if that person (or at least one of those persons) has informed you	
		that he or she wishes to use the Welsh language at the meeting,	
		provide a simultaneous translation service from Welsh to English for	
		that purpose (unless you conduct the meeting in Welsh without a	
		translation service).	
29	Service Delivery	If you arrange a meeting that is open to the public, you must ensure	25/01/2017
		that a simultaneous translation service from Welsh to English is	
		available at the meeting, and you must orally inform those present in	
		Welsh —	
		(a) that they are welcome to use the Welsh language, and	
		(b) that a simultaneous translation service is available.	
30	Service Delivery	If you display any written material at a meeting that you arrange	25/01/2017

		which is open to the public, you must ensure that the material is	
		displayed in Welsh, and you must not treat any Welsh language text	
		less favourably than the English language text.	
31	Service Delivery	If you organise a public event, or fund at least 50% of a public event,	25/01/2017
		you must ensure that, in promoting the event, the Welsh language is	
		treated no less favourably than the English language (for example, in	
		the way the event is advertised or publicised).	
32	Service Delivery	If you organise a public event, or fund at least 50% of a public event,	25/01/2017
		you must ensure that the Welsh language is treated no less	
		favourably than the English language at the event (for example, in	
		relation to services offered to persons attending the event, in relation	
		to signs displayed at the event and in relation to audio	
		announcements made at the event).	
33	Service Delivery	Any publicity or advertising material that you produce must be	25/01/2017
		produced in Welsh, and if you produce the material in Welsh and in	
		English, you must not treat the Welsh language version less	
		favourably than you treat the English language version.	
34	Service Delivery	Any material that you display in public must be displayed in Welsh,	25/01/2017
		and you must not treat any Welsh language version of the material	
		less favourably than the English language version.	
36	Service Delivery	Any documents that you produce for public use must be produced in	25/01/2017
		Welsh.	
44	Service Delivery	If you produce a document in Welsh and in English (whether	25/01/2017
		separate versions or not), you must not treat any Welsh language	
		version less favourably than you treat the English language version.	
45	Service Delivery	If you produce a Welsh language version and a separate English	25/01/2017
		language version of a document, you must ensure that the English	
		language version clearly states that the document is also available in	
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		Welsh.	
46	Service Delivery	Any form that you make available to the public must be produced in Welsh.	25/01/2017
46A	Service Delivery	If you produce a Welsh language version and a separate English language version of a form, you must ensure that the English language version clearly states that the form is also available in Welsh.	25/01/2017
46B	Service Delivery	If you produce a form in Welsh and in English (whether separate versions or not), you must ensure that the Welsh language version is treated no less favourably than the English language version, and you must not differentiate between the Welsh and English versions in relation to any requirements that are relevant to the form (for example in relation to any deadline for submitting the form, or in relation to the time allowed to respond to the content of the form).	25/01/2017
47	Service Delivery	If you pre-enter information on a Welsh language version of a form (for example, before sending it to a member of the public in order for him or her to check the content or to fill in the remainder of the form), you must ensure that the information that you pre-enter is in Welsh.	25/01/2017
48	Service Delivery	You must ensure that — (a) the text of each page of your website is available in Welsh, (b) every Welsh language page on your website is fully functional, and (c) the Welsh language is not treated less favourably than the English language on your website.	25/01/2017
51	Service Delivery	If you have a Welsh language web page that corresponds to an English language web page, you must state clearly on the English language web page that the page is also available in Welsh, and you must provide a direct link to the Welsh page on the corresponding	25/01/2017

		English page.	
52	Service Delivery	You must provide the interface and menus on every page of your website in Welsh.	25/01/2017
53	Service Delivery	All apps that you publish must function fully in Welsh, and the Welsh language must be treated no less favourably than the English language in relation to that app.	25/01/2017
54	Service Delivery	When you use social media you must not treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017
55	Service Delivery	If a person contacts you by social media in Welsh, you must reply in Welsh (if an answer is required).	25/01/2017
57	Service Delivery	When you erect a new sign or renew a sign (including temporary signs), any text displayed on the sign must be displayed in Welsh (whether on the same sign as you display corresponding English language text or on a separate sign); and if the same text is displayed in Welsh and in English, you must not treat the Welsh language text less favourably than the English language text.	25/01/2017
58	Service Delivery	When you erect a new sign or renew a sign (including temporary signs) which conveys the same information in Welsh and in English, the Welsh-language text must be positioned so that it is likely to be read first.	25/01/2017
59	Service Delivery	You must ensure that the Welsh language text on signs is accurate in terms of meaning and expression.	25/01/2017
60	Service Delivery	Any reception service you make available in English must also be available in Welsh, and any person who requires a Welsh language reception service must not be treated less favourably than a person who requires an English language reception service.	25/07/2019

Service Delivery	If you arrange a visit or appointment in advance for a person ("P")	25/01/2017
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	Welsh).	
Service Delivery	You must provide a face to face Welsh language reception service	25/01/2017
	for a person ("P") at your reception if you have arranged a visit or	
	appointment for P in advance and —	
	(a) P has informed you in advance that P wishes to receive the	
	service in Welsh, or	
	(b) you are already aware that P wishes to receive the service in	
	Welsh.	
Service Delivery	You must display a sign in your reception which states (in Welsh) that	25/07/2019
	persons are welcome to use the Welsh language at the reception.	
Service Delivery	You must ensure that staff at the reception who are able to provide a	25/07/2019
	Welsh language reception service wear a badge to convey that.	
Service Delivery	Any notice that you publish or display must be published or displayed	25/01/2017
	in Welsh, and you must not treat any Welsh language version of a	
	notice less favourably than an English language version.	
Service Delivery	When you publish or display a notice that contains Welsh language	25/01/2017
	text as well as English language text, the Welsh language text must	
	be positioned so that it is likely to be read first.	
Service Delivery	Any invitations to tender for a contract that you publish must be	24/05/2017
	published in Welsh, and you must not treat a Welsh language version	
	of any invitation less favourably than an English language version.	
	You must comply with standard 72 in the following	
	circumstances:	
	Service Delivery Service Delivery Service Delivery Service Delivery	which will mean that P will come to your reception, you must ask P whether P wishes to receive a Welsh language reception service (unless you already know whether P wishes to receive that service in Welsh). Service Delivery You must provide a face to face Welsh language reception service for a person ("P") at your reception if you have arranged a visit or appointment for P in advance and — (a) P has informed you in advance that P wishes to receive the service in Welsh, or (b) you are already aware that P wishes to receive the service in Welsh. Service Delivery You must display a sign in your reception which states (in Welsh) that persons are welcome to use the Welsh language at the reception. Service Delivery You must ensure that staff at the reception who are able to provide a Welsh language reception service wear a badge to convey that. Service Delivery Any notice that you publish or display must be published or displayed in Welsh, and you must not treat any Welsh language version of a notice less favourably than an English language text must be positioned so that it is likely to be read first. Service Delivery Any invitations to tender for a contract that you publish must be published in Welsh, and you must not treat a Welsh language version of any invitation less favourably than an English language version. You must comply with standard 72 in the following

		(a) If the subject matter of the tender for a contract suggests	
		that it should be produced in Welsh, or	
		(b) If the anticipated audience, and their expectations, suggests	
		that the document should be produced in Welsh.	
73	Service Delivery	When you publish invitations to tender for a contract, you must state	25/01/2017
		in the invitation that tenders may be submitted in Welsh, and that a	
		tender submitted in Welsh will be treated no less favourably than a	
		tender submitted in English.	
73A	Service Delivery	You must not treat a tender for a contract submitted in Welsh less	25/01/2017
		favourably than a tender submitted in English (including, amongst	
		other matters, in relation to the closing date for receiving tenders, and	
		in relation to the time-scale for informing tenderers of decisions).	
75	Service Delivery	If you receive a tender in Welsh and it is necessary to interview the	25/01/2017
		tenderer as part of your assessment of the tender you must —	
		(a) offer to provide a translation service from Welsh to English to	
		enable the tenderer to use the Welsh language at the interview, and	
		(b) if the tenderer wishes to use the Welsh language at the interview,	
		provide a simultaneous translation service for that purpose (unless	
		you conduct the interview in Welsh without a translation service).	
76	Service Delivery	When you inform a tenderer of your decision in relation to a tender,	25/01/2017
		you must do so in Welsh if the tender was submitted in Welsh.	
77	Service Delivery	You must promote any Welsh language service that you provide, and	25/01/2017
		advertise that service in Welsh.	
78	Service Delivery	If you provide a service in Welsh that corresponds to a service you	25/01/2017
		provide in English, any publicity or document that you produce, or	
		website that you publish, which refers to the English service must	
		also state that a corresponding service is available in Welsh.	
79	Service Delivery	When you form, revise or present your corporate identity, you must	25/01/2017

		not treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language.	
83	Service Delivery	When you announce a message over a public address system, you must make that announcement in Welsh and, if the announcement is made in Welsh and in English, the announcement must be made in Welsh first.	25/01/2017
84	Policy Making	When you formulate a new policy, or review or revise an existing policy, you must consider what effects, if any (whether positive or adverse), the policy decision would have on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017
85	Policy Making	When you formulate a new policy, or review or revise an existing policy, you must consider how the policy could be formulated (or how an existing policy could be changed) so that the policy decision would have positive effects, or increased positive effects, on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017
86	Policy Making	When you formulate a new policy, or review or revise an existing policy, you must consider how the policy could be formulated (or how an existing policy could be changed) so that the policy decision would not have adverse effects, or so that it would have decreased adverse effects, on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017
87	Policy Making	When you publish a consultation document which relates to a policy	25/01/2017

		decision, the document must consider, and seek views on, the effects (whether positive or adverse) that the policy decision under consideration would have on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	
88	Policy Making	When you publish a consultation document which relates to a policy decision the document must consider, and seek views on, how the policy under consideration could be formulated or revised so that it would have positive effects, or increased positive effects, on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017
89	Policy Making	When you publish a consultation document which relates to a policy decision the document must consider, and seek views on, how the policy under consideration could be formulated or revised so that it would not have adverse effects, or so that it would have decreased adverse effects, on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017
91	Policy Making	When you commission or undertake research that is intended to assist you to make a policy decision, you must ensure that the research considers what effects, if any (and whether positive or adverse), the policy decision under consideration would have on — (a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	25/01/2017

92	Policy Making	When you commission or undertake research that is intended to	25/01/2017
		assist you to make a policy decision, you must ensure that the	
		research considers how the policy decision under consideration could	
		be made so that it would have a positive effects, or so that it would	
		have increased positive effects, on —	
		(a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and	
		(b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English	
		language.	
93	Policy Making	When you commission or undertake research that is intended to	25/01/2017
		assist you to make a policy decision, you must ensure that the	
		research considers how the policy decision under consideration could	
		be made so that it would not have adverse effects, or so that it would	
		have decreased adverse effects, on —	
		(a) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and	
		(b) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English	
		language.	
94	Operational	You must develop a policy on using Welsh internally for the purpose	25/01/2017
		of promoting and facilitating the use of the language, and you must	
		publish that policy on your intranet.	
95	Operational	When you offer a new post to an individual, you must ask that	25/01/2017
		individual whether he or she wishes for the contract of employment or	
		contract for services to be provided in Welsh; and if that is the	
		individual's wish you must provide the contract in Welsh.	
96	Operational	You must —	25/01/2017
		(a) ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive any	
		paper correspondence that relates to his or her employment, and	
		which is addressed to him or her personally, in Welsh, and	
		(b) if an employee so wishes, provide any such correspondence to	

		that employee in Welsh.	
97	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive	25/07/2017
		any documents that outline his or her training needs or requirements	
		in Welsh; and if that is the employee's wish you must provide any	
		such documents to him or to her in Welsh.	
98	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive	25/07/2017
		any documents that outline his or her performance objectives in	
		Welsh;	
		and if that is the employee's wish you must provide any such	
		documents to him or to her in Welsh.	
99	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive	25/07/2017
		any documents that outline or record his or her career plan in Welsh;	
		and if that is the employee's wish you must provide any such	
		documents to him or to her in Welsh.	
100	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive	25/07/2018
		any forms that record and authorise —	
		(a) annual leave,	
		(b) absences from work, and	
		(c) flexible working hours,	
		in Welsh; and if that is an employee's wish, you must provide any	
		such forms to him or to her in Welsh.	
101	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to behaviour in the workplace, you	25/07/2018
		must publish it in Welsh.	
102	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to health and well-being at work, you	25/07/2018
		must publish it in Welsh.	
103	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to salaries or workplace benefits, you	25/07/2018
		must publish it in Welsh.	

104	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to performance management, you must publish it in Welsh.	25/07/2018
105	Operational	If you publish a policy about absence from work, you must publish it in Welsh.	25/07/2018
106	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to working conditions, you must publish it in Welsh.	25/07/2018
107	Operational	If you publish a policy regarding work patterns, you must publish it in Welsh.	25/07/2018
108	Operational	You must allow each member of staff — (a) to make complaints to you in Welsh, and (b) to respond in Welsh to any complaint made about him or about her.	25/01/2017
108A	Operational	You must state in any document that you have that sets out your procedures for making complaints that each member of staff may — (a) make a complaint to you in Welsh, and (b) respond to a complaint made about him or about her in Welsh; and you must also inform each member of staff of that right.	25/01/2017
110	Operational	If you receive a complaint from a member of staff or a complaint about a member of staff, and a meeting is required with that member of staff, you must — (a) ask the member of staff whether he or she wishes to use the Welsh language at the meeting; (b) explain that you will provide a translation service from Welsh to English for that purpose if it is required; and if the member of staff wishes to use the Welsh language, you must provide a simultaneous translation service from Welsh to English at the meeting (unless you conduct the meeting in Welsh without translation services).	25/07/2017

111	Operational	When you inform a member of staff of a decision you have reached in relation to a complaint made by him or by her, or in relation to a complaint made about him or about her, you must do so in Welsh if that member of staff— (a) made the complaint in Welsh, (b) responded in Welsh to a complaint about him or about her, (c) asked for a meeting about the complaint to be conducted in Welsh, or	25/01/2017
112	Operational	(ch) asked to use the Welsh language at a meeting about the complaint. You must allow all members of staff to respond in Welsh to	25/01/2017
		allegations made against them in any internal disciplinary process.	
112A	Operational	You must — (a) state in any document that you have which sets out your arrangements for disciplining staff that any member of staff may respond in Welsh to any allegations made against him or against her, and (b) if you commence a disciplinary procedure in relation to a member of staff, inform that member of staff of that right.	25/01/2017
114	Operational	If you organise a meeting with a member of staff regarding a disciplinary matter that relates to his or her conduct you must — (a) ask the member of staff whether he or she wishes to use the Welsh language at the meeting, and (b) explain that you will provide a translation service for that purpose if it is required; and, if the member of staff wishes to use the Welsh language, you must provide a simultaneous translation service from Welsh to English at the meeting (unless you conduct the meeting in Welsh	25/07/2017

		without a translation service).	
115	Operational	When you inform a member of staff of a decision you have reached following a disciplinary process, you must do so in Welsh if that member of staff— (a) responded to allegations made against him or her in Welsh, (b) asked for a meeting regarding the disciplinary process to be conducted in Welsh, or (c) asked to use the Welsh language at a meeting regarding the disciplinary process.	25/01/2017
116	Operational	You must provide staff with computer software for checking spelling and grammar in Welsh, and provide Welsh language interfaces for software (where an interface exists).	25/01/2017
121	Operational	You must designate and maintain a page (or pages) on your intranet which provides services and support material to promote the Welsh language and to assist your staff to use the Welsh language.	25/01/2017
123	Operational	You must assess the Welsh language skills of your employees.	25/01/2017
124	Operational	You must provide training in Welsh in the following areas, if you provide such training in English — (a) recruitment and interviewing; (b) performance management; (c) complaints and disciplinary procedures; (ch) induction; (d) dealing with the public; and (dd) health and safety. You must comply with standard 124 in all circumstances, except	25/07/2017
125	Operational	for requirement (ch).	25/01/2017
120	Operational	You must provide training (in Welsh) on using Welsh effectively in —	20/01/2017

126	Operational	 (a) meetings; (b) interviews; and (c) complaints and disciplinary procedures. You must provide opportunities during working hours — (a) for your employees to receive basic Welsh language lessons, and (b) for employees who manage others to receive training on using the Welsh language in their role as managers. 	25/01/2017
127	Operational	You must provide opportunities for employees who have completed basic Welsh language training to receive further training, free of charge, to develop their language skills.	25/01/2017
128	Operational	You must providing training courses so that your employees can develop — (a) awareness of the Welsh language (including awareness of its history and its role in Welsh culture); (b) an understanding of the duty to operate in accordance with the Welsh language standards; (c) an understanding of how the Welsh language can be used in the workplace.	25/01/2017
129	Operational	When you provide information to new employees (for example by means of an induction process), you must provide information for the purpose of raising their awareness of the Welsh language.	25/01/2017
130	Operational	You must provide wording or a logo for your staff to include in e-mail signatures which will enable them to indicate whether they speak Welsh fluently or whether they are learning the language.	25/01/2017
131	Operational	You must provide wording for your employees which will enable them to include a Welsh language version of their contact details in e-mail messages, and to provide a Welsh language version of any message which informs others that they are unavailable to respond to e-mail	25/01/2017

		messages.	
132	Operational	When you assess the requirements for a new or vacant post, you must assess the need for Welsh language skills, and categorise it as a post where one or more of the following apply — (a) Welsh language skills are essential; (b) Welsh language skills need to be learnt when appointed to the post; (c) Welsh language skills are desirable; or (ch) Welsh language skills are not necessary.	25/01/2017
132A	Operational	If you have categorised a post as one where Welsh language skills are essential, desirable or need to be learnt you must — (a) specify that when advertising the post, and (b) advertise the post in Welsh.	25/01/2017
133	Operational	When you advertise a post, you must state that applications may be submitted in Welsh, and that an application submitted in Welsh will not be treated less favourably than an application submitted in English.	25/01/2017
133A	Operational	If you publish — (a) application forms for posts; (b) material that explains your procedure for applying for posts; (c) information about your interview process, or about other assessment methods when applying for posts; (ch) job descriptions; you must publish them in Welsh; and you must ensure that the Welsh language versions of the documents are treated no less favourably than any English language versions of those documents.	25/01/2017
133B	Operational	You must not treat an application for a post made in Welsh less favourably than you treat an application made in English (including,	25/01/2017

		amongst other matters, in relation to the closing date you set for receiving applications and in relation to any timescale for informing individuals of decisions).	
135	Operational	You must ensure that your application forms for posts — (a) provide a space for individuals to indicate that they wish to use the Welsh language at an interview or at any other method of assessment, and (b) explain that you will provide a translation service from Welsh to English for that purpose if it is required; and, if the individual wishes to use the Welsh language at the interview or assessment, you must provide a simultaneous translation service at the interview or assessment (unless you conduct the interview or assessment in Welsh without that translation service).	25/01/2017
136	Operational	When you inform an individual of your decision in relation to an application for a post, you must do so in Welsh if the application was made in Welsh.	25/01/2017
137	Operational	When you erect a new sign or renew a sign in your workplace (including temporary signs), any text displayed on the sign must be displayed in Welsh (whether on the same sign as the corresponding English language text or on a separate sign), and if the same text is displayed in Welsh and in English, you must not treat the Welsh language text less favourably than the English language text.	25/01/2017
138	Operational	When you erect a new sign or renew a sign in your workplace (including temporary signs) which conveys the same information in Welsh and in English, the Welsh language text must be positioned so that it is likely to be read first.	25/01/2017
139	Operational	You must ensure that the Welsh language text on signs displayed in	25/01/2017

		your workplace is accurate in terms of meaning and expression.	
140	Operational	When you make announcements in the workplace using audio equipment, that announcement must be made in Welsh, and if the announcement is made in Welsh and in English, the announcement must be made in Welsh first.	25/01/2017
		You must comply with standard 140 in relation to the following by 25 January 2017:	
		O North Wales Office.	
		You must comply with standard 140 in relation to the following by 25 July 2018:	
		O All other offices.	
141	Record Keeping	You must keep a record, in relation to each financial year, of the number of complaints you receive relating to your compliance with standards.	25/01/2017
142	Record Keeping	You must keep a copy of any written complaint that you receive that relates to your compliance with the standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	25/01/2017
143	Record Keeping	You must keep a copy of any written complaint that you receive that relates to the Welsh language (whether or not that complaint relates to the standards with which you are under a duty to comply).	25/01/2017
144	Record Keeping	You must keep a record of the steps that you have taken in order to ensure compliance with the policy making standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	25/01/2017
145	Record Keeping	You must keep a record (following assessments of your employees' Welsh language skills made in accordance with standard 123), of the number of employees who have Welsh language skills at the end of	25/01/2017

		each financial year and, where you have that information, you must	
		keep a record of the skill level of those employees.	
146	Record Keeping	You must keep a record, for each financial year of—	25/07/2017
		(a) the number of members of staff who attended training courses	
		provided in Welsh (in accordance with standard 124), and	
		(b) if a Welsh version of a course was provided in accordance with	
		standard 124, the percentage of the total number of staff attending	
		the course who attended that version.	
147	Record Keeping	You must keep a copy of every assessment that you carry out (in	25/01/2017
		accordance with standard 132) in respect of the Welsh language	
		skills that may be needed in relation to a new or vacant post.	
148	Record Keeping	You must keep a record, in relation to each financial year, of the	25/01/2017
		number of new and vacant posts which were categorised (in	
		accordance with standard 132) as posts where—	
		(a) Welsh language skills are essential;	
		(b) Welsh language skills need to be learnt when appointed to the	
		post;	
		(c) Welsh language skills are desirable; or	
		(ch) Welsh language skills are not necessary.	
149	Supplementary - Service	You must ensure that a document which records the service delivery	25/01/2017
	Delivery	standards with which you are under a duty to comply, and the extent	
		to which you are under a duty to comply with those standards, is	
		available—	
		(a) on your website, and	
		(b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
150	Supplementary - Service	You must—	25/01/2017
	Delivery	(a) ensure that you have a complaints procedure that deals with the	
		following matters—	
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		 (i) how you intend to deal with complaints relating to your compliance with the service delivery standards with which you are under a duty to comply, and (ii) how you will provide training for your staff in relation to dealing with those complaints, (b) publish a document that records that procedure on your website, and (c) ensure that a copy of that document is available in each of your 	
151	Supplementary - Service	offices that are open to the public. You must—	25/01/2017
	Delivery	 (a) ensure that you have arrangements for— (i) overseeing the way you comply with the service delivery standards with which you are under a duty to comply, (ii) promoting the services that you offer in accordance with those standards, and (iii) facilitating the use of those services, (b) publish a document that records those arrangements on your website, and (c) ensure that a copy of that document is available in each of your offices that are open to the public. 	
152	Supplementary - Service Delivery	(1) You must produce a report (an "annual report"), in Welsh, in relation to each financial year, which deals with the way in which you have complied with the service delivery standards with which you were under a duty to comply during that year.(2) The annual report must include the number of complaints that you received during that year which related to your compliance with the service delivery standards with which you were under a duty to comply.	25/01/2017

		(3) You must publish the annual report no later than 6 months	
		following the end of the financial year to which the report relates.	
		(4) You must publicise the fact that you have published an annual	
		report.	
		(5) You must ensure that a current copy of your annual report is	
		available—	
		(a) on your website, and	
		(b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
153	Supplementary - Service	You must publish a document on your website which explains how	25/01/2017
	Delivery	you intend to comply with the service delivery standards with which	
		you are under a duty to comply.	
154	Supplementary - Service	You must provide any information requested by the Welsh Language	25/01/2017
	Delivery	Commissioner which relates to your compliance with the service	
		delivery standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	
155	Supplementary - Policy	You must ensure that a document which records the policy making	25/01/2017
	Making	standards with which you are under a duty to comply, and the extent	
		to which you are under a duty to comply with those standards, is	
		available—	
		(a) on your website, and	
		(b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
156	Supplementary - Policy	You must—	25/01/2017
	Making	(a) ensure that you have a complaints procedure that deals with the	
		following matters—	
		(i) how you intend to deal with complaints relating to your compliance	
		with the policy making standards with which you are under a duty to	
		comply, and	
		(ii) how you will provide training for your staff in relation to dealing	
		with those complaints,	
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		(b) publish a document that records that procedure on your website, and(c) ensure that a copy of that document is available in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
157	Supplementary - Policy Making	You must— (a) ensure that you have arrangements for overseeing the way you comply with the policy making standards with which you are under a duty to comply, (b) publish a document that records those arrangements on your website, and (c) ensure that a copy of that document is available in each of your offices that are open to the public.	25/01/2017
158	Supplementary - Policy Making	(1) You must produce a report (an "annual report"), in Welsh, in relation to each financial year, which deals with the way in which you have complied with the policy making standards with which you were under a duty to comply during that year. (2) The annual report must include the number of complaints you received during the year which related to your compliance with the policy making standards with which you were under a duty to comply. (3) You must publish the annual report no later than 6 months following the end of the financial year to which the report relates. (4) You must publicise the fact that you have published an annual report. (5) You must ensure that a current copy of your annual report is available— (a) on your website, and (b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	25/01/2017
159	Supplementary - Policy	You must publish a document on your website which explains how	25/01/2017

	Making	you intend to comply with the policy making standards with which you	
		are under a duty to comply.	
160	Supplementary - Policy	You must provide any information requested by the Welsh Language	25/01/2017
	Making	Commissioner which relates to compliance with the policy making	
		standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	
161	Supplementary -	You must ensure that a document which records the operational	25/01/2017
	Operational	standards with which you are under a duty to comply, and the extent	
		to which you are under a duty to comply with those standards, is	
		available—	
		(a) on your website, and	
1		(b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
162	Supplementary -	You must—	25/01/2017
	Operational	(a) ensure that you have a complaints procedure that deals with the	
		following matters—	
		(i) how you intend to deal with complaints relating to your compliance	
		with the operational standards with which you are under a duty to	
		comply, and	
		(ii) how you will provide training for your staff in relation to dealing	
		with those complaints, and	
		(b) publish a document that records that procedure on your intranet.	
163	Supplementary -	You must—	25/01/2017
	Operational	(a) ensure that you have arrangements for—	
		(i) overseeing the way you comply with the operational standards	
		with which you are under a duty to comply,	
		(ii) promoting the services that you offer in accordance with those	
		standards, and	
		(iii) facilitating the use of those services, and	
		(b) publish a document that records that procedure on your intranet.	

164	Supplementary -	(1) You must produce a report (an "annual report"), in Welsh, in	25/01/2017
	Operational	relation to each financial year, which deals with the way in which you	
		have complied with the operational standards with which you were	
		under a duty to comply during that year.	
		(2) The annual report must include the following information (where	
		relevant, to the extent you are under a duty to comply with the	
		standards referred to)—	
		(a) the number of employees who have Welsh language skills at the	
		end of the year in question (on the basis of the records you kept in	
		accordance with standard 145);	
		(b) the number of members of	
		staff who attended training courses you offered in Welsh during the	
		year (on the basis of the records you kept in accordance with	
		standard 146);	
		(c) if a Welsh version of a course was offered by you during that year,	
		the percentage of the total number of staff attending the course who	
		attended the Welsh version (on the basis of the records you kept in	
		accordance with standard 146);	
		(ch)the number of new and vacant posts that you advertised during	
		the year which were categorised as posts where—	
		(i) Welsh language skills were essential, (ii) Welsh language skills	
		needed to be learnt when appointed to the post,	
		(iii) Welsh language skills were desirable, or	
		(iv) Welsh language skills were not necessary,	
		(on the basis of the records	
		you kept in accordance	
		with standard 148);	
		(d) the number of complaints that you received during that year which	

		related to your compliance with the operational standards with which you were under a duty to comply. (3) You must publish the annual report no later than 6 months following the end of the financial year to which the report relates. (4) You must publicise the fact that you have published an annual report. (5) You must ensure that a current copy of your annual report is available— (a) on your website, and (b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
165	Supplementary - Operational	You must publish a document on your website which explains how you intend to comply with the operational standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	25/01/2017
166	Supplementary - Operational	You must provide any information requested by the Welsh Language Commissioner which relates to compliance with the operational standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	25/01/2017
167	Supplementary - Record Keeping	You must ensure that a document which records the record keeping standards with which you are under a duty to comply, and the extent to which you are under a duty to comply with those standards, is available— (a) on your website, and (b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	25/01/2017
168	Supplementary - Record Keeping	You must provide any records you kept in accordance with the record keeping standards with which you are under a duty to comply to the Welsh Language Commissioner, if the Commissioner asks for those records.	25/01/2017

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