

New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases

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Bills of New Zealand

This database is part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases (“NZLP”) and commenced in October 2001. It contains all Bills currently before Parliament (including Member’s Bills) at that date.

This database has full internal linking other documents related to the Bills (eg the Explanatory Note in Version 1 of the Bill and the Select Committee report in the Stage 2 version), plus links to the separate Online Updater. There is no linking at this stage to other NZLP databases within this library.

Information about the contents of each update to NZLP is contained in a What's New document in the separate What's New infobase (CD only).

Media

This database is available in CD and Online formats.

Key Contents of Database

The Bills are published in 2 different formats – PDF images (Bill Versions) and consolidated Bills in a similar format to the Statutes and Regulations. The PDF online page can be accessed from CD and online Bills databases (Bill Versions button at top of each Bill).

PDFs (Bill Versions)

- PDFs are included to provide currency of information before the Bill is included/updated in the main Bills database
- PDFs of each published Stage of a Bill are located at <http://www.brookers.co.nz/bills/index.htm>
- These show each version of the Bill as published.
- New Bills when first introduced to Parliament are listed under New Bills.
- When a Bill is reported back to Parliament and a new version is published, Stage 1 pdf is moved to Updated Bills along with the Stage 2 version.
- Once a Bill becomes an Act all pdfs are moved to Enacted Bills.
- Supplementary Order Papers (changes introduced by MPs after Bill is reported back) are listed under SOPs.
- Although Bills have 3 readings there are often only 2 published stages of a Bill if there are no or very few changes after Stage 2

Consolidated Bills

The main Bills database has one copy of a Bill rather than individual versions. It contains all Bills currently before Parliament (Current Bills), Bills that have been defeated as they go through Parliament (Defeated Bills), and Bills that have become Acts (Enacted Bills). The defeated and enacted Bills are kept in the database for users wanting to research a piece of legislation.

Features include:

- History notes with links to historical versions of individual clauses and Schedules
- Link to Online Updater from the top of the Bills database (not each Bill)
- Links at the top of each Bill to copies of the Explanatory Note (when Bill is first introduced), the Select Committee Report on the Bill, and associated Supplementary Order Papers. SOPs are no longer included in full in the main Bills database and can only be accessed as pdfs in the Bill Versions section of the product
- Legislative histories of Bills are located at the beginning of the Bill rather than the end for ease of reference

Contents Unique to This Database

- Historical versions of individual clauses and Schedules
- Online Updater giving information about new Bills, the changes they propose to make, and the stage that each Bill has reached

Currency of Content

This subscription service is updated to maintain currency in line with legislative changes and case law development. Typically you will receive 11 CD updates of the Bills per year and twice-monthly online updates of the Bills. There may occasionally be 12 CD updates, depending on amount of legislative change.

The CD Bills are updated monthly, at the same time as the other Law Partner databases. The online version of the Bills is updated twice-monthly. Please refer to the “What’s New” (CD only) to obtain the latest information about new Bills and what’s changed in your current update.

Sources

Bills are downloaded from the Knowledge Basket website and processed as Word files. It is hoped that processing of the Bills in SGML will allow greater functionality and the inclusion of links between clauses of the Bill and the final sections of the Act.

Editors

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BRIEFCASE and BRIEFCASE/VIEWCASE

These databases are part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases (“NZLP”). Databases within this library are all hyperlinked for ease of navigation between case summaries, legislation and cited cases.

Information about the contents of each update to NZLP (which includes Latest Cases) are contained in a What’s New document in the separate What’s New infobase.

Derivation

BRIEFCASE is a comprehensive index of over 64,000 cases, including 47,500 case summaries, in electronic format.

In the past, BRIEFCASE cases were sourced from secondary publications such as the TCLR or CRNZ. However, cases are now summarised directly from actual judgments emanating from a wide variety of Courts, Tribunals and judicial bodies.

VIEWCASE is an “add-on” to BRIEFCASE that gives customers access to full text images of over 39,000 judgments from the High Court, Court of Appeal, Privy Council, and Supreme Court of New Zealand, as well as a selection of lower courts. The images are not searchable, but may be downloaded for printing purposes.

Where a BRIEFCASE entry does not have a VIEWCASE image attached, it may mean that the case is subject to a suppression order. Please see the end of the summary for details.

Media

BRIEFCASE is available both on CD and Online and is updated weekly online and monthly on CD.

VIEWCASE is also accessible through both CD and Online. However, for those customers with CD subscriptions to BRIEFCASE with VIEWCASE links, the VIEWCASE links visible in CD will work so long as you are connected to the Internet when using those links.

They are updated weekly online and monthly on CD.

Key Contents of Database

BRIEFCASE indexes cases as they are received from the sources listed below.

Secondary publications are reviewed on a weekly basis. Cases that have been noted or reported in those publications are updated in BRIEFCASE to reflect their change in status.

BRIEFCASE cases are classified according to the general subject matter of the case. All cases in BRIEFCASE are classified, enabling you to search for cases about specific

subject matter.

Descriptions (or summaries) are written by the BRIEFCASE editors for any case from the High Court or above, and for interesting or significant cases from other judicial bodies.

Summaries give the researcher a sense of whether the case is relevant and include memorable key words and phrases to enhance online searching. Descriptions are structured according to BRIEFCASE style. It is practice to state the outcome of the decision, the pertinent facts and arguments of the case, then the decision-maker's holdings.

Contents Unique to this Database

Each week BRIEFCASE features a case that is of particular note due to impact on the law, topic, date or pure interest. This case is listed and hyperlinked in the "Latest Cases" list for each week, under the heading "Case of the Week".

Cases in BRIEFCASE that are summarised may also have supplementary information such as legislation cited or judicially defined words provided for the user. Although there will be exceptions, as a rule of thumb only cases from the High Court and above will provide legislation references. Where possible, these legislation references are used to populate the CASES button in New Zealand Law Partner legislation databases.

Cases cited in the text of a judgment are noted and classified according to the treatment given to them by the Judge (applied, distinguished, referred to, etc) so that researchers are able determine whether they are "good law".

For more recent cases that have publication restrictions or suppression issues editors include a statement at the foot of a summary to help alert users to this fact.

Cases indexed in BRIEFCASE can generally be obtained via our judgment service. More information can be found on the Brookers website at www.brookers.co.nz.

Sources and Coverage

BRIEFCASE currently sources cases consistently from these Courts and Tribunals:

·Court of Appeal

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from April 1970. Every Court of Appeal case received from the Court from 2001 onwards. Cases are classified and summarised, and list any legislation, texts, pertinent words and phrases, and cases referred to in the judgment.

VIEWCASE coverage: Where possible, HTML images are included from 1996 onwards. These documents are searchable using the VIEWCASE "Locate" button.

Please note that as these images are also available via the Court of Appeal free website

certain Court of Appeal cases not able to be made publicly available will not be in VIEWCASE. These cases, and selected cases prior to 1996, may be available via our Judgment Service.

·Environment Court

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from September 1996 onwards. Fuller coverage from 2001 onwards. Cases from this Court are classified and any reported cases summarised.

·Employment Court

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from June 1991 onwards. Fuller coverage from 2001 onwards. Cases from this Court are classified and any reported cases summarised.

·Employment Relations Authority

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from November 2000 onwards. Fuller coverage from 2001 onwards. Cases from this Court are classified and any reported cases summarised.

·Employment Tribunal

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from September 1996 onwards. Fuller coverage from 2001 onwards. Cases from this Court are classified and any reported cases summarised.

·Family Court

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from February 1984 onwards. Fuller coverage from 2001 onwards. Cases from this Court are classified and any reported cases summarised.

·High Court

BRIEFCASE coverage: Selected cases from August 1980 onwards. Fuller coverage from 1986 onwards, and every High Court case received from the Courts from 2001 onwards. Cases are classified and summarised, and list any legislation, texts, pertinent words and phrases, and cases referred to in the judgment.

VIEWCASE coverage: Where possible, images are included for High Court cases from 1986 onwards. The majority of these judgments are scanned images of original court documents, and are therefore Court admissible. Since late 2004 High Court decisions have been received from the Court in electronic format, which may affect their admissibility.

·Privy Council

(Predecessor to the Supreme Court of New Zealand)

BRIEFCASE coverage: Every available Privy Council case from 15 May 1851 onwards. Cases are classified and summarised, and list any legislation, texts, pertinent words and phrases, and cases referred to in the judgment.

VIEWCASE coverage: Where possible, images are included for Privy Council cases from 1986 onwards.

·Supreme Court of New Zealand

BRIEFCASE coverage: Every case available from the Supreme Court of New Zealand from May 2004 onwards. Cases are classified and summarised, and list any legislation, texts, pertinent words and phrases, and cases referred to in the judgment.

VIEWCASE coverage: Where possible, images are included for Supreme Court of New Zealand cases from May 2004 onwards.

·Taxation Review Authority

BRIEFCASE coverage: Every case available from the Taxation Review Authority from January 1986 onwards. Cases from this Court are classified and any reported cases summarised.

Decisions from the following judicial bodies (some now abolished or replaced) are either included on an infrequent basis, or have been included in BRIEFCASE in the past:

·Accident Compensation Appeal Authority

·Arbitration Court

·Broadcasting Standards Authority

·Children and Young Persons Court

·Complaints Review Tribunal

·Copyright Tribunal

·Commerce Commission

·Disputes Review Tribunal

·District Court

·Deportation Review Tribunal

·Employment Tribunal

·Equal Opportunities Tribunal

·Indecent Publications Tribunal

·Labour Court

·Land Valuation Tribunal

·Legal Aid Review Authority

·Licensing Control Commission

·Liquor Licensing Authority

·Maori Appellate Court

·Maori Land Court

·Mental Health Review Tribunal

·Motor Vehicle Disputes Tribunal

·Office of the Race Relations Conciliator

·Parole Board

·Patent Office

·Pharmacy Authority

·Pharmacy Board of Appeal

·Planning Tribunal

·Refugee Status Appeals Authority

·Social Security Appeals Authority

- Supreme Court (NZ) (predecessor to the High Court)
- Transport Licensing Appeal Authority
- Union Membership Exemption Tribunal
- Waitangi Tribunal
- Youth Court

Selection Criteria for Inclusion in Database

From 2001 onwards all Court of Appeal and High Court cases which were and are received from the Courts are summarised on an ongoing basis.

The majority of BRIEFCASE cases decided earlier than 2000 are cases that have been noted or reported in secondary publications. Editorial judgment and effort is employed to source additional judgments to add to the database.

Editorial judgement is used to determine whether to include cases from other Courts and Tribunals, as well as what treatment they receive.

Various statutory restrictions exist that can affect the inclusion of a case in BRIEFCASE and BRIEFCASE/VIEWCASE. Care is taken to meet the suppression requirements of the Courts.

In general, the following approach is taken:

- cases with name suppression can be included in BRIEFCASE provided names are removed. When other details may lead to identification these are also removed or not included in a summary;
- judgments with name suppression elements will not have a VIEWCASE link, unless the judgment does not include any identification;
- cases with other suppression or publication restrictions are treated according to judicial or statutory directions.

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For the Judgment Service more information can be found on the Brookers website at

www.brookers.co.nz

Local and Private Acts of New Zealand

This database is part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases (“NZLP”). All databases within this library are all hyperlinked for ease of navigation between legislation and relevant case law.

Information about the contents of each update to NZLP is contained in a What's New document in the separate What's New infobase.

Media

This database is available in CD and Online formats.

Key Contents of Database

This database contains all current Local and Private Acts, Acts repealed since 1/1/98 (approximately), with full history notes and historical versions of individual sections and Schedules.

Local Acts deal with issues in specific areas/regions (Auckland Harbour Board Empowering Act 1894, Wellington Regional Council (Stadium Empowering) Act 1996). Private Acts deal with specific individuals (Thomas George Macarthy Trust Act 1936) or institutions (Anglican Church Trusts Act 1981).

Contents Unique to This Database

Historical versions of individual sections and Schedules. Sections contain wording that was applicable during the date range shown. To indicate which portions of the sections have since been amended, such text is displayed in red. Unamended text is displayed in blue.

Online Updater giving information about new Acts, Regs and Bills and the changes or proposed changes they make before they are included in Law Partner databases

Currency of Content

This subscription service is updated to maintain currency in line with legislative changes and case law development. Typically you will receive 11 CD updates per year and twice-weekly online updates. There may occasionally be 12 CD updates, depending on amount of legislative change.

The CD is updated monthly, Online twice-weekly. Please refer to the “What's New” (CD only) to obtain the latest information about new leg what's changed in your current update, and what future changes are coming.

Sources

Local and Private Acts are scanned from the hard copy, proofread and converted to SGML.

Editors

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New Zealand Case Law Digest

THIS PRODUCT HAS CEASED PUBLICATION AND IS NO LONGER UPDATED. This infobase remains as an archive up to the final update of December 2004, NZCLD Series 5 Part 154.

The database is part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases. Databases within this library are all hyperlinked for ease of navigation between case summaries, legislation and cited cases.

Database Abbreviation

NZCLD

Derivation

The New Zealand Case Law Digest succeeded Consolidated Case Annotations (“CCA”) (1st-3rd Series).

Media

This database is available in Digest, CD and Online.

Key Contents of Database

The New Zealand Case Law Digest contains a collection of summaries of important decisions of New Zealand Courts, Tribunals and other administrative and regulatory bodies. Case summaries are arranged alphabetically under statutory and common law headings.

Hyperlinks to relevant legislation are included within the case summary. The cases cited within the judgment are noted below the case summary.

Currency of Content

NZCLD remains available as an archive reference resource although it is no longer updated.

Publication ceased following the final update NZCLD Series 5, Part 154 in December 2004.

Content Coverage

Coverage extends back to Consolidated Case Annotations 2nd Series 1985.

Sources

NZCLD includes cases from the following Courts and Tribunals:

- Broadcasting Standards Authority
- Court of Appeal
- Complaints Review Tribunal
- Deportation Review Tribunal
- District Court

- Environment Court
- Employment Court
- Employment Relations Authority
- Employment Tribunal
- Family Court
- High Court
- Liquor Licensing Authority
- Maori Land Court
- Maori Appellate Court
- Motor Vehicle Disputes Tribunal
- Pharmacy Authority
- Privy Council
- Social Security Appeals Authority
- Supreme Court
- Taxation Review Authority

Selection Criteria for Inclusion in Database

The editor made the decision regarding inclusion of cases.

When determining whether to include a judgment, any or all of the following criteria were considered:

- Was the judgment interpretative?
- Was the judgment illustrative or informative as to how the legislation involved has been interpreted or applied?
- Was the legislation new?
- Was there a new line of interpretation of the/a provision?
- Was the case a straight application of the law to the facts without any other features meriting reporting?
- Did the case involve judicial pronouncement(s) or dicta warranting drawing attention to?
- Did the case define any key words or phrases?
- Did the case confirm or depart from settled authority?
- Did the case involve the exercise of a new jurisdiction?
- Was the case an appeal decided by a full Court?
- Did the highest Court in the land decide the case?
- Was the case a test case?
- Were the conclusions arrived at going to affect the rights of a large number of people other than immediate parties?
- Had the Court or Tribunal handed down a hefty penalty, term of imprisonment, damages or costs?
- Were the facts of the case unusual?
- Was there significant media interest in the case or publicity regarding the case?

Citations

This product may be cited as: New Zealand Case Law Digest.

In the Digest, the current citation format is NZCLD, 5th Series, paragraph number.

For example, NZCLD, 5th Series, 5687.

Feedback

If you have any queries, please contact our Customer Care team on 0800 10 60 60 or email service@brookers.co.nz.

Online Updater

This database is part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases (“NZLP”).

Media

This database is available in Online format, but can be used with either the CD or Online NZLP library.

Key Contents of Database

This database was included as part of Law Partner to show new legislation not yet in the main Law Partner databases and proposed changes before the existing legislation in Law Partner is updated.

The Online Updater is located at

<http://www.brookers.co.nz/libraries/updates/query.asp?t=nwactreg&d1=20010904&p=plaw>

The Updater is divided into:

Left-hand pane Right-hand pane
New Statutes List of new Acts not in Law Partner
Amended Statutes Details of changes to existing Acts made by the new Acts and not yet consolidated
New Regulations List of new Regulations not in Law Partner
Amended Regulations Details of changes to existing Regulations made by the new Regulations and not yet consolidated
New Bills List of new Bills not in Law Partner
Amending Bills Details of proposed changes to be made by Bills

The Updater can be accessed at 3 levels

- from the top of each legislation database – access at this level gives access to all parts of the Updater
- at the beginning of each Act and Regulation (excluding Assent legislation) – access at this level gives information about any changes to that Act or Regulation and any proposed changes to be made by Bills
- from every section/Schedule of Acts and Regulations – this allows users to check whether the section has been changed, is being changed in the future, or is proposed to be changed by a Bill

Once new legislation is included, or existing legislation is consolidated and republished, the entries are removed from the online updater.

The Locate button at the top of each screen looks for entries in the page you have selected, not the entire database.

Contents Unique to this Database

Online Updater gives information about new Acts, Regs and Bills and the changes or proposed changes they make before they are included in Law Partner databases.

Currency of Content

The database used to produce the information contained in the Online Updater is updated

each day that new statutes and regulations are received within Brookers. As soon as the database has been updated and checked, this information is released to the Updater in real time.

Editors

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Regulations of New Zealand

This database is part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases (“NZLP”). All databases within this library are hyper-linked for ease of navigation between legislation and relevant case law.

Related databases

Previous versions of individual defined terms, clauses and Schedules are contained in a separate historical regulations database. These go back to approximately 1/1/97. This database includes historical versions for all changes including words and phrases since approximately 1/7/97. Each historical version shows the date range that the previous version was in force, a feature unique to the Brooker’s legislation products.

The full clause is included in the historic database, regardless of how much of the clause has changed, and is designed so that users do not have to reconstruct the previous version of a clause (the exception to including the full clause is defined terms, which are treated as separate documents). The changed legislation is highlighted in a different colour to distinguish it from the current legislation.

Information about the contents of each update to NZLP is contained in a What’s New document in the separate What’s New infobase (CD only).

Copies of all Regulations since 1/1/97 as they were originally issued are contained in a separate Assent Legislation infobase (see Assent Legislation database below).

Media

This database is available in CD and Online formats.

Amendment Regulations

- The amendment list at the beginning of a Regulation lists all amendment Regulations for the principal (eg Family Courts Amendment Rules).
- The list does not include all Acts or Regulations that have amended the principal Regulation. If the Family Courts Rules were amended by a Family Proceedings Amendment Act or a High Court Amendment Rules, then those Amendments would not be in the list.
- The Amendments popup contains the amendment Regulations that are in Law Partner.

Key Contents of Database

This database contains all current Statutory Regulations since start of series in 1936, Statutory Regulations repealed since 1/1/96, and Imperial Regulations in force under NZ law.

The database also contains selected deemed (tertiary) legislation (see below for details).

Old regulations (pre-1960 approximately) did not have clause headings. Clauses that have been updated later will have clause headings, which is the reason for a mixture of styles.

Features include:

- Full history notes with historical versions of individual clauses and Schedules. These are not the same as Revoked Regulations.
- Editorial notes
- Deemed legislation such as Civil Aviation Rules, Land Transport Rules and the Stock Exchange Listing Rules. Other deemed legislation may be added in future
- Amendment popups (new from August 2004)
- Links to separate legislation and case law index database
- Links to Online Updater
- Tertiary legislation
- Current principal Land Transport Rules plus a number of amendment Rules that have been included as links to the ltsa website.
- Civil Aviation Rules
- Code of Good Faith Bargaining
- NZX and NZAX Listing Rules

Contents Unique to This Database

Historical versions of individual clauses and Schedules. Clauses contain wording that was applicable during the date range shown. To indicate which portions of the clauses have since been amended, such text is displayed in red. Unamended text is displayed in blue.

Online Updater giving information about new Regulations and the changes or proposed changes they make before they are included in the Regulations database.

Currency of Content

This subscription service is updated to maintain currency in line with legislative changes and case law development. You will receive at least 11 CD updates per year. In some years there are 12 CD updates, depending on amount of legislative change. Please refer to the “What’s New” to obtain the latest information about new Acts, what’s changed in your current update, what has been repealed.

The Online version is updated daily. The online Whatsnew shows the latest New Act and a line of “Annotated to” information showing the latest amending authorities, plus any new or amended work incorporated on the previous day.

Sources

- Regulations are scanned from the hard copy, proofread and converted to SGML
- Land Transport Rules (CD version) are currently derived from the Brookers Law of Transportation (“BLT”) database. They are not currently maintained separately by the Law Partner team and their updating is dependent on updating in BLT. The online Land Transport Rules source files are updated as required by the Law Partner team.
- New Zealand Stock Exchange Listing Rules (NZX and NZAX) can be accessed via a link to the www.nzx.com site.

Assent Legislation database

The Assent Legislation is included so you can see the original, unamended version of the legislation.

This database includes all Acts and regulations since 1/1/97. It is never updated, later changes to the Acts and regs are made in the main Statutes and Regulations databases.

Editors

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Statutes of New Zealand

This database is part of New Zealand Law Partner Legislation and Cases (“NZLP”). All databases within this library are all hyperlinked for ease of navigation between legislation and relevant case law.

Related databases

Previous versions of individual defined terms, sections and Schedules are contained in a separate historical statutes database. This database includes historical versions for sections substituted or repealed since 1/1/90 and for all changes including words and phrases since approximately 1/7/97.

The Local Government Act 1974 also includes the major changes made to local government legislation during the 1980s, and the Crimes Act 1961 has historical versions that cover all changes to that Act since its original enactment. Each historical version shows the date range that the previous version was in force, a feature unique to the Brooker’s legislation products.

The full section is included in the historic database, regardless of how much of the section has changed, so that users do not have to reconstruct the previous version of a section from individual history notes (the exception to including the full section is defined terms, which are treated as separate documents). The changed legislation is highlighted in a different colour to distinguish it from the rest of the section (eg s 16 Tax Administration Act 1994).

- Information about the contents of each update to NZLP is contained in a What’s New document in the separate What’s New infobase (CD only).
- Copies of all Acts since 1/1/97 as they were originally issued are contained in a separate Assent Legislation product (see Assent Legislation database below).

Media

This database is available in CD and Online formats (see Currency of Content below).

Amendment Acts

- The amendment list at the beginning of an Act lists all amendment acts for the principal Act (eg The Conservation Act list contains Conservation Amendment Acts).
- The list does not include all Acts that have amended the principal Act. If the Conservation Act was amended by a Resource Management Amendment Act, then that Amendment Act would not be in the list.
- An amendment act is not included in the list until the changes it makes have been incorporated in the principal Act.
- The Amendments popup contains only those amendment Acts that are in Law Partner.
- Amendment Acts are included in full from 1/1/97, amendment Acts prior contain the text of only those sections that do not amend the principal Act (eg transitional and savings provisions)
- Where some old amendment acts contain the section number and the word Consolidated

in the section title, this means that the change made by the amendment Act was consolidated into the relevant section of the principal Act.

Key Contents of Database

This database contains all current Acts, Acts passed but not yet in force, Imperial Acts in force under NZ law, Provincial Acts, and Acts repealed since 1/1/94, plus selected Acts repealed before that date (eg Accident Insurance Act 1982, Town and Country Planning Act 1977, Coal Mines Act 1979).

Additional whole Acts repealed before 1/1/94 will only be included in the database as editorial resources allow, but requests to include individual sections of those Acts can be considered (contact Ian Neilson – see Editors below).

Features include:

- Full history notes with historical versions of individual sections and Schedules. The historical part of the Statutes does not contain complete repealed Acts, which are in the separate Repealed Acts folder.
- Editorial notes with links (eg to amending authorities showing future changes)
- Subordinate legislation (Regulations made pursuant to principal Act) and Amendment popups.
- The subordinate legislation popup contains the principal regs, the amendment regs can be accessed via the Amendments button at the top of the principal Regulation.
- Graphical representation of Forms, diagrams and formulae
- Links to separate legislation and case law index database
- Links to case law from affected sections
- Links to Online Updater

Contents Unique to This Database

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Sources

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