

**DIRECTIONS GIVEN UNDER THE HUMAN FERTILISATION AND
EMBRYOLOGY ACT 1990**

Bringing into force the Code of Practice (seventh edition)

These Directions are:	Ref: D.2007/5
Section of Act providing for these Directions:	GENERAL DIRECTIONS
These Directions come into force on:	Section 26(5)
These Directions remain in force:	5 th July 2007
	Until Revoked

1. These Directions revoke D.2004/1.
2. The seventh edition of the Code of Practice provided for under Section 25 of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 shall come into force on the 5th July 2007.



Date: 22nd May 2007

Chair

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 25(6) of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 provides as follows:

“A failure on the part of any person to observe any provision of the code shall not in itself render the person liable to any proceedings, but-

- a. a licence committee shall, in considering whether there has been any failure to comply with any conditions of a licence and, in particular, conditions requiring anything to be “proper” or “suitable”, take account of any relevant provision of the code, and
- b. a licence committee may, in considering, where it has power to do so, whether or not to vary or revoke a licence, take into account any observance of or failure to observe the provisions of the code.”