

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

Bringing into force the Code of Practice (third revision)

Ref D.1998/1

These Directions are:	GENERAL DIRECTIONS
Section of Act providing for these Directions:	Section 26(5)
These Directions come into force on:	20 July 1998
These Directions remain in force:	Until revoked

Code of Practice

1. These Directions revoke Directions Ref. D. 1995/1.
2. The third revision of the Code of Practice provided for under Section 25 of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 shall come into force on 20 July 1998.

Date: 15 July 1998

Ruth Deech
Chairman

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 of itself render the person liable to any proceedings, but –

a. a license 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 license committee shall, in considering, where it has power to do so, whether or not to vary or revoke licence, take into account any observance of or failure to observe provisions of the code.”