

[Consultee's name
and address]

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Dear [Consultee]

FORMAL CONSULTATION ON HSENI PROPOSALS TO REVISE AND AMEND THE REPORTING OF INJURIES, DISEASES AND DANGEROUS OCCURRENCES REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1997 (RIDDOR)

As a respondent to the public consultation exercise (28 October 2013 – 20 January 2014) you will know that it had been proposed that the requirement under RIDDOR for employers to report any accident that had led to an employee being absent from work for more than three days would be changed to make the period of absence more than seven days. It was also proposed to simplify the RIDDOR reporting requirements for occupational accidents, dangerous occurrences and diseases. These changes were made in Great Britain on 6 April 2012 and 1 October 2013 respectively.

A summary and analysis of the consultation responses can be found on the HSENI website –

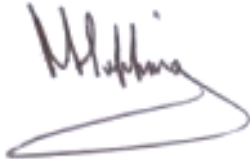
http://www.hseni.gov.uk/riddor_ni_2014_summary_of_consultation_responses.pdf

Because of a clear lack of consensus in relation to the proposed changes and budgetary restraints in relation to their implementation which have arisen since the consultation was carried out, HSENI has decided, with the agreement of the DETI Minister, not to proceed with the proposed changes in Northern Ireland.

All the provisions of the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 will therefore remain in force.

I hope this update is helpful and would also like to take the opportunity to thank you for your valued input to the consultation exercise.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'M. Topping', with a large, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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