

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

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Section 67 of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 provides that the Commissioner is not authorised to require a body to comply with a standard if, and to the extent that, the standard relates to broadcasting. However, broadcasting does not include any activity that is carried out in connection with broadcasting.

As a result of implications under section 67 of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure, 'Exception for broadcasting', it is considered that the service delivery standards in this compliance notice are relevant to:

- Audience Services which means the provision of customer services by the BBC in response to feedback and queries received on its platforms from its audiences;
- O Corporate Services which means the provision of information, publicity and other services to the public as part of BBC Wales' consultation, policy, strategy, HR, property and finance functions that do not directly relate to programmes;
- **TV Licensing** which means the administration and enforcement of the television licence fee by the BBC and its agents.

This statement does not apply to standard 53 as the requirement to comply with that standard is already limited to specific circumstances within the applicability of section 67 of the Welsh Language (Wales) Bill 2011.

Standard	Class of Standard	Standard	Imposition Day
Number			
1	•	If you receive correspondence from a person in Welsh you must reply in Welsh (if an answer is required), unless the person has indicated that there is no need to reply in Welsh.	30/03/2017

4	Service Delivery	When you send the same correspondence to several persons, you must send a Welsh language version of the correspondence at the same time as you send any English language version.	30/03/2017
5	Service Delivery	If you don't know whether a person wishes to receive correspondence from you in Welsh, when you correspond with that person you must provide a Welsh language version of the correspondence.	30/03/2017
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).	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 7 in relation to the following by 30 March 2017:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales	
		You must comply with standard 7 in all other circumstances by 30 September 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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 8 in relation to the following:	
		 O any main telephone number (or numbers), or on any helpline numbers or call centre numbers located in Wales; O TV Licensing's Welsh language helpline 	
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.	30/03/2017
10	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 in its entirety if that is the person's wish (where necessary by transferring the call to a member of staff who is able to deal with the call in Welsh).	30/03/2017
12	Service Delivery	When you advertise telephone numbers, helpline numbers or call centre services, you must not treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language.	30/03/2017
14	Service Delivery	When you publish your main telephone number, or any helpline numbers or call centre service numbers, you must state (in Welsh) that you welcome calls in Welsh.	30/03/2017
15	Service Delivery	If you have performance indicators for dealing with telephone calls, you must ensure that those performance indicators do not treat telephone calls made in Welsh any less favourably than calls made in English.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 15 in relation to the following:	

		O TV Licensing	
16	Service Delivery	Your main telephone call answering service (or services) must inform persons calling, in Welsh, that they can leave a message in Welsh.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 16 in relation to the following:	
		 O Main telephone call answering service (or services) located in Wales O TV Licensing Welsh language helpline 	
17	Service Delivery	When there is no Welsh language service available on your main 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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 17 in relation to the following:	
		 O any main telephone number (or numbers), or on any helpline numbers or call centre numbers located in Wales; O TV Licensing Welsh language helpline 	
19	Service Delivery	If a person contacts one of your departments on a direct line 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.	30/03/2017

		You must comply with standard 19 in relation to the following:	
		O any of your departments' direct line telephone numbers (including staff members' direct line numbers) located in Wales.	
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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 20 in relation to the following: O any direct line number (whether on a department's direct line number or on the direct line number of a member of staff) located in Wales.	
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.	30/09/2017
		You must comply with standard 21 in relation to the following: O BBC Cymru Wales	
22	Service Delivery	Any automated telephone systems that you have must provide the complete automated service in Welsh.	30/03/2017
l		You must comply with standard 22 in relation to the following: O BBC Cymru Wales	

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.	30/03/2017
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).	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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 to be available at the meeting.	30/03/2017
25D	Service Delivery	If you have invited more than one person to a meeting, and all 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 to be available at the meeting (unless you conduct the meeting in Welsh without the assistance of a translation service).	30/03/2017
26	Service Delivery	If you arrange a meeting that is open to the public you must state on any material advertising it, and on any invitation to it, that anyone attending is welcome to use the Welsh language at the meeting.	30/03/2017
27	Service Delivery	When you send invitations to a meeting that you arrange which is open to the public, you must send the invitations in Welsh.	30/03/2017

28	Service Delivery	If you invite persons to speak at a meeting that you arrange which is 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).	30/03/2017
29	Service Delivery	If you arrange a meeting that is open to the public, you must ensure 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.	30/03/2017
30	Service Delivery	If you display any written material at a meeting that you arrange 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.	30/03/2017
31	Service Delivery	If you organise a public event, or fund at least 50% of a public event, 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).	30/03/2017
32	Service Delivery	If you organise a public event, or fund at least 50% of a public event, 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	30/03/2017

		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 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.	30/03/2017
34	Service Delivery	Any material that you display in public must be displayed in Welsh, and you must not treat any Welsh language version of the material less favourably than the English language version.	30/03/2017
37	Service Delivery	If you produce the following documents you must produce them in Welsh— (a) agendas, minutes and other papers that are available to the public, which relate to Board or Council meetings; (b) agendas, minutes and other papers for meetings, conferences or seminars that are open to the public.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 37 in relation to documents produced by the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales O TV Licensing	
		(See standard 43)	
38	Service Delivery	Any licence, permit or certificate you produce must be produced in Welsh.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 38 in relation to the following:	
		O TV Licensing	
		(See standard 43)	

39	Service Delivery	Any brochure, leaflet, pamphlet or card that you produce in order to provide information to the public must be produced in Welsh.	30/03/2017
40	Service Delivery	If you produce the following documents, and they are available to the public, you must produce them in Welsh — (a) policies, strategies, annual reports and corporate plans; (b) guidelines and codes of practice; (c) consultation papers.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 40 in relation to documents produced by the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales O TV Licensing	
		(See standard 43)	
41	Service Delivery	Any rules that you publish that apply to the public must be published in Welsh.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 41 in relation to the following:	
		O TV Licensing	
		(See standard 43)	
42	Service Delivery	When you issue any statement to the press you must issue it in Welsh and, if there is a Welsh language version and an English language version of a statement, you must issue both versions at the same time.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 42 in relation to the following:	
		O Statements to the press that are relevant to Wales only.	

		(See standard 43)	
43	Service Delivery	If you produce a document which is available to the public, and no other standard has required you to produce the document in Welsh, you must produce it in Welsh — (a) if the subject matter of the document 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.	30/03/2017
44	Service Delivery	If you produce a document in Welsh and in English (whether separate versions or not), you must not treat any Welsh language version less favourably than you treat the English language version.	30/03/2017
45	Service Delivery	If you produce a Welsh language version and a separate English language version of a document, you must ensure that the English language version clearly states that the document is also available in Welsh.	30/03/2017
46	Service Delivery	Any form that you make available to the public must be produced in Welsh.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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	30/03/2017

		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).	
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.	30/03/2017
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. You must comply with standard 48 in relation to the following by 30 March 2017: O BBC Cymru Wales The TV Licensing website must fully comply with standard 48 by 31 March 2026.	30/03/2017
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 English page. You must comply with standard 51 in relation to the following by 30 March 2017: O BBC Cymru Wales	30/03/2017

		TV Licensing must comply with standard 51 in relation to the following by 30 March 2017:	
		O Pages that are relevant to Wales only;O Pages that were available in Welsh before 30 March 2017.	
		TV Licensing must also comply with standard 51 in relation to the following pages relating to online payment services by 30 September 2018:	
		O Pages relating to the payment of a new TV licence fee by debit or credit card, or via direct debit.	
		TV Licensing must also comply with standard 51 in relation to the following pages relating to online payment services by 30 November 2018:	
		O Pages relating to the renewal of TV licence fee by credit or debit card, or via direct debit; and	
		TV Licensing must also comply with standard 51 in relation to the following pages relating to online payment services by 31 January 2019:	
		 O Pages relating to the application of a temporary licence for people over 74, or O Pages relating to the application or the renewal of a free TV licence, for people over 75. 	
52	Service Delivery	You must provide the interface and menus on every page of your website in Welsh.	30/03/2017

You must comply with standard 52 in relation to the following by 30 March 2017:

O BBC Cymru Wales

TV Licensing must comply with standard 52 in relation to the following by 30 March 2017:

- O Pages that are relevant to Wales only;
- O Pages that were available in Welsh before 30 March 2017.

TV Licensing must also comply with standard 52 in relation to the following pages relating to online payment services by 30 September 2018:

O Pages relating to the payment of a new TV licence fee by debit or credit card, or via direct debit.

TV Licensing must also comply with standard 52 in relation to the following pages relating to online payment services by 30 November 2018:

O Pages relating to the renewal of TV licence fee by credit or debit card, or via direct debit; and

TV Licensing must also comply with standard 52 in relation to the following pages relating to online payment services by 31 January 2019:

- O Pages relating to the application of a temporary licence for people over 74, or
- O Pages relating to the application or the renewal of a free TV licence, for people over 75.

53	Service Delivery	All apps that you publish must function full in Welsh, and the Welsh Language must be treated no less favourably than the English Language in relation to that app.	09/05/2024
		You must comply fully with standard 53 in relation to the TV Licensing app by 9 May 2024.	
		You must comply fully with standard 53 in relation to the administrative elements of the following mobile apps by 9 May 2024.	
		O BBC Sounds O BBC iPlayer O BBC Cymru Fyw O BBC Bitesize O BBC News	
		You must comply fully with standard 53 in relation to the administrative elements of the following television apps by 30 June 2025:	
		O BBC Sounds O BBC iPlayer	
		The meaning of 'administrative elements' in this context is:	
		The interface as it relates to setting up an account, the administration of accounts and persistent navigation.	

		 The confirmation of settings as part of setting up and administering an account only Sign-in, including the setting up of a new account; Menus within the context of creating and maintaining an account which relate to terms and conditions between a user and the BBC; General Information about the account which relates to terms and conditions between a user and the BBC 	
54	Service Delivery	When you use social media you must not treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 54 in relation to the following: O BBC Cymru Wales O TV Licensing where use of social media is relevant to Wales only.	
55	Service Delivery	If a person contacts you by social media in Welsh, you must reply in Welsh (if an answer is required).	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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,	30/03/2017

		the Welsh-language text must be positioned so that it is likely to be read first.	
59	Service Delivery	You must ensure that the Welsh language text on signs is accurate in terms of meaning and expression.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 60 in relation to the following: O Main broadcasting centre in Cardiff O BBC Bangor	
		O Roath Lock Studios O performances and/or productions held in Hoddinott Hall	
61	Service Delivery	If you arrange a visit or appointment in advance for a person ("P") 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).	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 61 in every circumstance, except:	
		O Main broadcasting centre in Cardiff O BBC Bangor O Roath Lock Studios	
		O performances and/or productions held in Hoddinott Hall	
61A	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	30/03/2017

		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.	
		You must comply with standard 61A in every circumstance, except:	
		 O Main broadcasting centre in Cardiff O BBC Bangor O Roath Lock Studios O performances and/or productions held in Hoddinott Hall 	
63	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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 63 in relation to the following: O Main broadcasting centre in Cardiff O BBC Bangor O Roath Lock Studios O performances and/or productions held in Hoddinott Hall	
64	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. You must comply with standard 64 in relation to the following:	27/09/2017
		 O Main broadcasting centre in Cardiff O BBC Bangor O Roath Lock Studios O Performances and/or productions held in Hoddinott Hall 	

65	Service Delivery	Any notice that you publish or display must be published or displayed	30/03/2017
		in Welsh, and you must not treat any Welsh language version of a	
		notice less favourably than an English language version.	
66	Service Delivery	When you publish or display a notice that contains Welsh language	30/03/2017
		text as well as English language text, the Welsh language text must	
		be positioned so that it is likely to be read first.	
67	Service Delivery	Any documents that you publish which relate to applications for a	30/03/2017
		grant must be published in Welsh, and you must not treat a Welsh	
		language version of such documents less favourably than an English	
		language version.	
		You must comply with standard 67 in relation to the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales	
68	Service Delivery	When you invite applications for a grant, you must state in the	30/03/2017
		invitation that applications may be submitted in Welsh and that any	
		application submitted in Welsh will be treated no less favourably than	
		an application submitted in English.	
		You must comply with standard 68 in relation to the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales	
68A	Service Delivery	You must not treat applications for a grant submitted in Welsh less	30/03/2017
		favourably than applications submitted in English (including, amongst	
		other matters, in relation to the closing date for receiving applications	
		and in relation to the time-scale for informing applicants of decisions).	
		You must comply with standard 69 in relation to the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales	

70	Service Delivery	If you receive an application for a grant in Welsh and it is necessary to interview the applicant as part of your assessment of the application you must — (a) offer to provide a translation service from Welsh to English to enable the applicant to use the Welsh language at the interview, and (b) if the applicant 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). You must comply with standard 70 in relation to the following:	30/03/2017
		O BBC Cymru Wales	
71	Service Delivery	When you inform an applicant of your decision in relation to an application for a grant, you must do so in Welsh if the application was submitted in Welsh. You must comply with standard 71 in relation to the following: O BBC Cymru Wales	30/03/2017
72	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 circumstances: (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 invitation should be produced in Welsh	30/03/2017
73	Service Delivery	When you publish invitations to tender for a contract, you must state in the invitation that tenders may be submitted in Welsh, and that a	30/03/2017

		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 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).	30/03/2017
75	Service Delivery	If you receive a tender in Welsh and it is necessary to interview the 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).	30/03/2017
76	Service Delivery	When you inform a tenderer of your decision in relation to a tender, you must do so in Welsh if the tender was submitted in Welsh.	30/03/2017
77	Service Delivery	You must promote any Welsh language service that you provide, and advertise that service in Welsh.	30/03/2017
78	Service Delivery	If you provide a service in Welsh that corresponds to a service you 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.	30/03/2017
79	Service Delivery	When you form, revise or present your corporate identity, you must not treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017

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	30/03/2017
		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.	
85	Policy Making	When you formulate a new policy, or review or revise an existing	30/03/2017
		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.	
86	Policy Making	When you formulate a new policy, or review or revise an existing	30/03/2017
		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.	
87	Policy Making	When you publish a consultation document which relates to a policy	30/03/2017
		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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
90	Policy Making	You must produce and publish a policy on awarding grants (or, where appropriate, amend an existing policy) which requires you to take the following matters into account when you make decisions in relation to the awarding of a grant — (a) what effects, if any (and whether positive or negative), the awarding of a grant would have on— (i) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (ii) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language; (b) how the decision could be taken or implemented (for example, by imposing conditions of grant) so that it would have positive effects, or increased positive effects, on— (i) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and	30/03/2017

		(ii) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language; (c) how the decision could be taken or implemented (for example, by imposing conditions of grant) so that it would not have adverse effects, or so that it would have decreased adverse effects on— (i) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (ii) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language; (ch) whether you need to ask the applicant for any additional information in order to assist you in assessing the effects of awarding a grant on— (i) opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and (ii) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language. You must comply with standard 90 in relation to the following:	
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.	30/03/2017
92	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 how the policy decision under consideration could be made so that it would have a positive effects, or so that it would	30/03/2017

		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 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.	30/03/2017
94	Operational	You must develop a policy on using Welsh internally for the purpose of promoting and facilitating the use of the language, and you must publish that policy on your intranet.	30/03/2017
95	Operational	When you offer a new post to an individual, you must ask that 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.	30/03/2017
96	Operational	You must — (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.	30/03/2017
97	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive any documents that outline his or her training needs or requirements	30/01/2018

		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 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.	30/01/2018
99	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive 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.	30/01/2018
100	Operational	You must ask each employee whether he or she wishes to receive 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.	30/03/2017
101	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to behaviour in the workplace, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017
102	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to health and well-being at work, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017
103	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to salaries or workplace benefits, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017
104	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to performance management, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017

105	Operational	If you publish a policy about absence from work, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017
106	Operational	If you publish a policy relating to working conditions, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017
107	Operational	If you publish a policy regarding work patterns, you must publish it in Welsh.	30/09/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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).	30/03/2017
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	30/03/2017

		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 (ch) asked to use the Welsh language at a meeting about the complaint.	
112	Operational	You must allow all members of staff to respond in Welsh to allegations made against them in any internal disciplinary process.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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 without a translation service).	30/03/2017

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.	30/03/2017
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).	30/03/2017
117	Operational	You must ensure that — (a) the text of each page of your intranet is available in Welsh, (b) every Welsh language page on your intranet is fully functional, and (c) the Welsh language is treated no less favourably than the English language on your intranet. You must comply with standard 117 in relation to the following: O BBC Cymru Wales' intranet	30/09/2017
118	Operational	You must ensure that — (a) the text of the homepage of your intranet is available in Welsh, (b) any Welsh language text on your intranet's homepage (or, where relevant, your Welsh language intranet homepage) is fully functional, and (c) the Welsh language is treated no less favourably than the English language in relation to the homepage of your intranet. You must comply with standard 118 in relation to the following:	30/03/2017

		O BBC Cymru Wales' intranet	
119	Operational	You must ensure that each time you publish a new intranet page or amend a page — (a) the text of that page is available in Welsh, (b) any Welsh language version of that page is fully functional, and (c) the Welsh language is treated no less favourably than the English language in relation to the text of that page. You must comply with standard 119 in relation to the following: O BBC Cymru Wales' intranet	30/03/2017
120	Operational	If you have a Welsh language page on your intranet that corresponds to an English language page, you must state clearly on the English language page that the page is also available in Welsh, and must provide a direct link to the Welsh language page on the corresponding English language page. You must comply with standard 120 in relation to the following:	30/03/2017
		O BBC Cymru Wales' intranet	
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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 121 in relation to the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales' intranet	
122	Operational	You must provide the interface and menus on your intranet pages in Welsh.	30/09/2017
		You must comply with standard 122 in relation to the following:	

		O BBC Cymru Wales' intranet	
123	Operational	You must assess the Welsh language skills of your employees.	30/01/2018
		You must comply with standard 123 in relation to the following:	
		O employees who are located in Wales	
		O employees who provide services to Wales directly.	
124	Operational	You must provide training in Welsh in the following areas, if you provide such training in English —	30/09/2017
		(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 relation to the following:	
		O (ch) induction	
125	Operational	You must provide training (in Welsh) on using Welsh effectively in —	30/09/2017
		(a) meetings;	
		(b) interviews; and	
		(c) complaints and disciplinary procedures.	
		You must comply with standard 125 in relation to the following:	
		O BBC Cymru Wales	
126	Operational	You must provide opportunities during working hours —	30/03/2017
		(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.	

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		O (b) for employees who manageothers to receive training on using the Welsh language in their role as managers.	
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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017

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 messages.	30/03/2017
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. You must comply with standard 132 in relation to the following:	30/03/2017
		O posts that are located in Wales O posts that provide services to Wales directly.	
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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 132A in relation to the following:	
		O posts that are located in Wales O posts that provide services to Wales directly.	
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	30/03/2017

		not be treated less favourably than an application submitted in English.	
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.	30/03/2017
		You must comply with standard 133A in every circumstance, except: O job descriptions when an assessment in relation to standard 132 concludes that Welsh language skills are not required for the post.	
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, 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).	30/03/2017
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;	30/03/2017

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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
139	Operational	You must ensure that the Welsh language text on signs displayed in your workplace is accurate in terms of meaning and expression.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
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.	30/03/2017
36	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.	30/03/2017
		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).	

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		available—	
		(a) on your website, and	
		(b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	
150	Supplementary - Service	You must—	30/03/2017
	Delivery	(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 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	
		offices that are open to the public.	
151	Supplementary - Service	You must—	30/03/2017
	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	(1) You must produce a report (an "annual report"), in Welsh, in	30/03/2017
	Delivery	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. (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 Delivery	You must publish a document on your website which explains how you intend to comply with the service delivery standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	30/03/2017
154	Supplementary - Service Delivery	You must provide any information requested by the Welsh Language Commissioner which relates to your compliance with the service delivery standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	30/03/2017
155	Supplementary - Policy Making	You must ensure that a document which records the policy 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.	30/03/2017
156	Supplementary - Policy Making	You must— (a) ensure that you have a complaints procedure that deals with the	30/03/2017

		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, (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.	30/03/2017
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 	30/03/2017

		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.	
159	Supplementary - Policy Making	You must publish a document on your website which explains how you intend to comply with the policy making standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	30/03/2017
160	Supplementary - Policy Making	You must provide any information requested by the Welsh Language Commissioner which relates to compliance with the policy making standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	30/03/2017
161	Supplementary - Operational	You must ensure that a document which records the 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 (b) in each of your offices that are open to the public.	30/03/2017
162	Supplementary - Operational	You must— (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.	30/03/2017
163	Supplementary - Operational	You must— (a) ensure that you have arrangements for—	30/03/2017

		(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 - Operational	(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 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,	30/03/2017

		(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 -	You must publish a document on your website which explains how	30/03/2017
	Operational	you intend to comply with the operational standards with which you	
		are under a duty to comply.	
166	Supplementary -	You must provide any information requested by the Welsh Language	30/03/2017
	Operational	Commissioner which relates to compliance with the operational	
		standards with which you are under a duty to comply.	
167	Supplementary - Record	You must ensure that a document which records the record keeping	30/03/2017
	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.	

168	Supplementary - Record	You must provide any records you kept in accordance with the record	30/03/2017
	Keeping	keeping standards with which you are under a duty to comply to the	
		Welsh Language Commissioner, if the Commissioner asks for those	
		records.	

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