Flood Risk Regulations 2009

The Flood Risk Regulations 2009 set out the duties regarding producing preliminary flood risk assessments, flood hazard maps and flood risk maps and flood risk management plans. In addition, the duty of co-operation between the Environment Agency and Lead Local Flood Authority is described.

The link for the Flood Risk Regulations 2009 is: http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2009/3042/pdfs/uksi_20093042_en.pdf

Flood and Water Management Act 2010

The Flood and Water Management Act 2010 sets out what should be included in the National flood and coastal erosion risk management strategies for England and Wales as well as local flood risk management strategies. It also contains legislation regarding the duty of LLFAs to maintain a register and the responsibilities of LLFAs regarding drainage system approval.

The link for the Flood and Water Management 2010 is: http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/29/pdfs/ukpga_20100029_en.pdf

Water Framework Directive 2000

The Water Framework Directive is a European directive, concerned primarily with water quality. The purpose of this Directive is to establish a framework for the protection of inland surface waters, transitional waters, coastal waters and groundwater which:

- (a) prevents further deterioration and protects and enhances the status of aquatic ecosystems and, with regard to their water needs, terrestrial ecosystems and wetlands directly depending on the aquatic ecosystems;
- (b) promotes sustainable water use based on a long-term protection of available water resources;
- (c) aims at enhanced protection and improvement of the aquatic environment, inter alia, through specific measures for the progressive reduction of discharges, emissions and losses of priority substances and the cessation or phasing-out of discharges, emissions and losses of the priority hazardous substances;
- (d) ensures the progressive reduction of pollution of groundwater and prevents its further pollution, and
- (e) contributes to mitigating the effects of floods and droughts.

The link for the Water Framework Directive 2000 is: http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2000:327:0001:0072:EN:PDF