

Rules on powers of entry following cancellation of designation

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A. DEFINITIONS

1. Words defined in these **rules** have the following meanings:

Act the Legal Services Act 2007

approved regulator has the meaning given in section 20(2) of the **Act**

Board the Legal Services Board

licensing authority has the meaning given in section 73(1) of the Act

B. WHO DO THESE RULES APPLY TO?

- 2. These **rules** are the rules that the **Board** has made in compliance with sections 48(9) and 79(9) of the **Act** in order to specify the persons that the **Board** may appoint for the purposes of sections 48(3) and 79(3) of the **Act** respectively.
- 3. These **rules** are to be read in conjunction with the **Act**, together with any other relevant provisions made by or by virtue of this **Act**, or any other enactment, rules, policies or guidance produced by the **Board** from time to time.
- 4. In the event of any inconsistency between these **rules** and the provisions of the **Act**, the provisions of the **Act** prevail.
- 5. The **Board** reserves the right to amend these **rules** from time to time. When amendments are made, the **Board** will, when required to do so under section 205 of the Act, publish a draft of the amended **rules** and invite representations.

C. APPOINTMENTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTIONS 48(3) AND 79(3) OF THE ACT

6. The **Board** may appoint any person that it considers competent to be able to:

- a) enter and search the premises of an **approved regulator** or **licensing authority** (as appropriate); and
- b) take possession of any written or electronic records found on such premises.
- 7. In considering whether a person is suitable for appointment under **rule** 6, the **Board** will have regard to the extent to which the person has experience of exercising entry and search functions, taking into account the standards and requirements of the **Board** in other situations where the **Act** gives us a power to exercise a warrant.

D. FURTHER INFORMATION

8. If you have any questions about these **rules** you should contact the **Board** as set out below:

a) if by email, to: contactus@legalservicesboard.org.uk

b) if by post or courier, to: the relevant address of the **Board** as set out on its

website

For the attention of: Cancellation Administrator