Code for Sustainable Homes - Addendum (2014) Wales update

Once the Code Addendum (2014) Wales is implemented (this applies to Wales only), the following arrangements should be used to determine which scheme version new developments are registered against:

- For a period of one month following implementation of the Addendum (2014) Wales it will be possible to register new developments under either of the Nov 2010 scheme OR the Addendum (2014) Wales.
- Where evidence is provided showing that all dwellings are eligible to be assessed for compliance with the 2010 version of Part L of the Building Regulations, it will be possible to register developments against the Nov 2010 version of the Code.
- After the period of one month from the implementation date of the Code Addendum (2014) Wales, it will be necessary for all developments, apart from those that meet the requirements described in point 2 above, to register against the Code Addendum (2014) Wales.

The arrangements above are designed to allow alignment between the Part L Building Regulation and the appropriate Code version applied to developments. This is intended to minimise the number of instances where it is necessary to provide both SAP 2009 and SAP 2012 calculations to assess the energy performance of the same dwelling. For developments registered against the Nov 10 scheme version they will be required to use SAP 2009 to assess energy performance unless there is a Building Control requirement to use a different Building Regulation.

From 31st July 2014, it is no longer possible to register new schemes against Part L version 2010, except where work has already (physically) commenced before 31st July 2014, OR where a Building notice, full plans, initial notice or plans certificate has been given to a local authority before 31st July 2014 and carried out in accordance with the plans or notice given, so long as the work is commenced by 31st July 2015.

Alternatively, developments registered against previous Code scheme versions can be reregistered for free against the Code Addendum (2014) Wales, to align with latest Building Regulations.

