

OPERATING CODE NO. 8
(OC8)

SAFETY CO-ORDINATION

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OC8.1 INTRODUCTION

OC8.1.1 **OC8** specifies the standard procedures to be used for the co-ordination, establishment and maintenance of necessary **Safety Precautions** when work is to be carried out on or near the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **System** of a **User** and when there is a need for **Safety Precautions** on **HV Apparatus** on the other **System** for this work to be carried out safely. **OC8** Appendix 1 applies when work is to be carried out on or near to **E&W Transmission Systems** or the **Systems** of **E&W Users** and **OC8** Appendix 2 applies when work is to be carried out on or near to **Scottish Transmission Systems** or the **Systems** of **Scottish Users**.

OC8.1.2 **OC8** also covers the co-ordination, establishment and maintenance of necessary safety precautions on the **Implementing Safety Co-ordinator's System** when work is to be carried out at a **User's Site** or a **Transmission Site** (as the case may be) on equipment of the **User** or a **Transmission Licensee** as the case may be where the work or equipment is near to **HV Apparatus** on the **Implementing Safety Co-ordinator's System**.

OC8.2 OBJECTIVE

OC8.2.1 The objective of OC8 is to achieve:

- (i) **Safety From The System** when work on or near a **System** necessitates the provision of **Safety Precautions** on another **System** on **HV Apparatus** up to a **Connection Point**; and
- (ii) **Safety From The System** when work is to be carried out at a **User's Site** or a **Transmission Site** (as the case may be) on equipment of the **User** or a **Transmission Licensee** (as the case may be) where the work or equipment is near to **HV Apparatus** on the **Implementing Safety Co-ordinator's System**.

OC8.3 SCOPE

OC8.3.1 **OC8** applies to **NGET** and to **Users**, which in **OC8** means:

- (a) **Generators** (including where undertaking **OTSDUW**);
- (b) **Network Operators**; and
- (c) **Non-Embedded Customers**.

In Scotland and **Offshore OC8** also applies to **Relevant Transmission Licensees**.

The procedures for the establishment of safety co-ordination by **NGET** in relation to **External Interconnections** are set out in **Interconnection Agreements** with relevant persons for the **External Interconnections**.

OC8.4 PROCEDURE

OC8.4.1 Safety Co-Ordination In Respect Of The E&W Transmission Systems Or The Systems Of E&W Users

OC8.4.1.1 **OC8** Appendix 1, OC8A, applies when work is to be carried out on or near to the **E&W Transmission System** or the **Systems** of **E&W Users** or when **Safety Precautions** are required to be established on the **E&W Transmission System** or the **Systems** of **E&W Users** when work is to be carried out on or near to the **Scottish Transmission System** or the **Systems** of **Scottish Users**.

- OC8.4.2 Safety Co-Ordination In Respect Of The Scottish Transmission Systems Or The Systems Of Scottish Users
- OC8.4.2.1 **OC8** Appendix 2, OC8B, applies when work is to be carried out on or near to the **Scottish Transmission System** or the **Systems** of **Scottish Users** or when **Safety Precautions** are required to be established on the **Scottish Transmission System** or the **Systems** of **Scottish Users** when work is to be carried out on or near to the **E&W Transmission System** or the **Systems** of **E&W Users**.
- OC8.4.3 Safety Co-ordination Offshore
- OC8.4.3.1 For the purposes of **OC8** Appendix 1, OC8A, **OC8** Appendix 2 and OC8B, when work is to be carried out on or near to **Offshore Transmission Systems Safety Precautions** shall be established by the **Offshore Transmission Licensee** and the **Offshore User**.

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