

# Red Tape Challenge – Decision Map

## 1. Preparation for Theme Launch

Lead Department for theme identifies regulations to be included, and appropriate sub-categories. Liaison with stakeholders to check list of regulations are accurate, and to discuss further involvement in theme. Sector champion(s) are identified. Permanent Secretary of lead Department meets with the Cabinet Secretary prior to launch.

## 2. Theme Launch

Theme is launched on the Red Tape Challenge website. Communications activity and stakeholder engagement to promote the opportunity to comment.

## 3. Theme Spotlight

Theme is live on website for businesses, civil society organisations, and members of the public to post pre-moderated comments, on the regulations and rules that affect them. Private submissions to e-mail inbox also welcomed. Sector champions, and Departmental theme leads actively review and respond to comments to help facilitate debate and discussion.

## 4. Departmental Analysis and Proposals

Spotlight closes, and Department analyses all comments, written submissions, and other evidence (e.g. earlier consultations, or stakeholder meetings). Analysis includes consideration of impact on devolved administrations, and identifying where EU regulations have become a barrier to growth, (e.g. gold-plating in the UK). Departments produce proposals to scrap, reduce and improve regulation, and establish which need to stay. This process will include considering alternatives to regulation, such as data transparency, incentives or voluntary codes.

## 5. Internal / External Challenge

Department's proposals are internally challenged – for example by Red Tape Challenge Team, internal 'Star Chambers', or 'Tiger Teams'. Departments also identify opportunities for external challenge – for example sector champions, or stakeholder groups. This will vary by theme.

## 6. Star Chamber

Proposals are reviewed by a Ministerial 'Star Chamber' with the presumption that burdensome regulations will go unless they can be strongly justified. Star Chamber is chaired by Cabinet Office and BIS Ministers and involves key Coalition advisors (with the sector champion invited to attend). Star Chamber makes recommendations on proposals.

## 7. Post Star Chamber

Departments respond to Star Chamber recommendations, and prepare proposals for the Reducing Regulation Committee, and other Cabinet sub-committees (the mechanism for collective Ministerial decision-making).

## 8. Collective Agreement & Reducing Regulation Committee

Cabinet sub-committee on Reducing Regulation considers proposals and makes decisions. Policy clearance is received from other Cabinet sub-committees in parallel (as needed).

## 9. Implementation

Proposals are announced. Implementation begins – timescales will vary depending on legal vehicles used, and whether public consultation is needed on specific proposals.