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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 2746**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Groundwater Regulations 1998**

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<i>regulations 1 and 16(1)</i>		<i>2nd December 1998</i>
<i>regulation 23</i>		<i>1st January 1999</i>
<i>all other provisions</i>		<i>1st April 1999</i>

**THE GROUNDWATER REGULATIONS 1998**

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23. Transitional provisions  
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SCHEDULE —

LIST 1

1. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, a substance is in...

LIST II

2. (1) A substance is in list II if it could...  
3. (1) The Secretary of State may review any decision of...  
4. The Agency shall from time to time publish a summary...

Explanatory Note

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### **Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Instrument rev (S) by [S.S.I. 2006/127 art 2](#)
- Regulations revoked by [S.I. 2009/2902 reg. 25](#)
- reg.1 defn(s) amended by [S.S.I. 2000/323 reg.36. Sch.10. Pt.2. para.16\(2\)](#)
- reg.1 defn(s). amended by [S.I. 2000/1973 reg.39. Sch.10. Pt.2, paras.46,47](#)
- reg. 1(3) word omitted by [S.I. 2006/937 reg. 8\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 1(3) words added by [S.I. 2006/937 reg. 8\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 1(3)(c) word deleted by [S.I. 2000/1973 Sch. 10 para. 47](#)
- reg. 1(3)(c) word omitted by [S.S.I. 2000/323 Sch. 10 para. 16\(2\)](#)
- reg. 1(3)(d) word omitted by [S.S.I. 2005/22 reg. 7\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 2 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 2(1)(b) word inserted by [S.S.I. 2005/22 reg. 7\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 2(1)(b) word inserted by [S.I. 2006/937 reg. 8\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 2(1)(c) word omitted by [S.S.I. 2005/22 reg. 7\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 2(1)(c) word omitted by [S.I. 2006/937 reg. 8\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 2(1)(d) omitted by [S.S.I. 2005/22 reg. 7\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 2(1)(d) omitted by [S.I. 2006/937 reg. 8\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- reg.3 amended by [S.S.I. 2000/323 reg 36. Sch 10. Pt.2 para 16\(3\)](#)
- reg.3 amended by [S.I. 2000/1973 reg.39. Sch.10. Pt.2, paras.46,48](#)
- reg. 3 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 3 words inserted by [S.S.I. 2000/323 Sch. 10 para. 16\(3\)](#)
- reg. 3 words inserted by [S.I. 2000/1973 Sch. 10 para. 48](#)
- reg. 3 words inserted by [S.I. 2006/937 reg. 8\(4\)](#)
- reg. 3 words substituted by [S.S.I. 2005/22 reg. 7\(4\)](#)
- reg. 3 words substituted by [S.I. 2007/3538 Sch. 21 para. 39\(3\)](#)
- reg. 4 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 5 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 6 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 7 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 8 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 9 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 10 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 11 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 12 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 13 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 14 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 15 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 16(2) coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 17 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 18 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 19 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 20 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 21 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 22 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 23 coming into force by [S.I. 1998/2746 reg. 1\(1\)\(b\)](#)

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- reg. 1(3)(e) and word inserted by S.S.I. 2000/323 Sch. 10 para. 16(2)
- reg. 1(3)(e) and word inserted by S.I. 2000/1973 Sch. 10 para. 47
- reg. 1(3)(e) substituted for (e)(f) by S.I. 2007/3538 Sch. 21 para. 39(2)
- reg. 1(3)(f) and word added by S.S.I. 2005/22 reg. 7(2)(b)