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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations implement Council Directive [92/75/EEC](#) (on the indication by labelling and standard product information of the consumption of energy and other resources by household appliances) and Commission Directives [97/17/EC](#) and [99/9/EC](#) (implementing the Council Directive [92/75/EEC](#) with regard to energy labelling of household dishwashers).

Dishwashers to which these Regulations apply are those specified in the definition of “regulated dishwasher” in regulation 2, except those excluded by regulation 3(2).

Suppliers, as defined in regulation 2, must supply labels (which comply with Schedules 1 and 4) and information notices (which comply with Schedules 2 and 4) about the energy consumption of those regulated dishwashers (regulations 4 and 5). Suppliers are deemed to consent to the publication of the information given on a label or in an information notice (regulation 6). They are responsible for the accuracy of the information (regulation 7) and are required to establish, before the dishwasher is placed on the Community market, technical documentation to enable the accuracy of the information to be assessed (regulation 8).

Dealers, as defined in regulation 2, must attach a label to a regulated dishwasher displayed to end-users (regulation 9).

Where a regulated dishwasher is for sale by printed communication e.g. mail order or other long distance selling, regulation 10 requires the dealer to provide relevant information as determined in Schedules 3 and 4.

Regulation 11 prohibits the display of misleading information about energy consumption of regulated dishwashers. Regulation 12 and Schedule 5 contain provisions on offences, penalties and other matters of enforcement.

Regulation 13 makes transitional provision; until 31st July 1999 the Regulations do not apply to the supply or display of regulated dishwashers or to the distribution of any printed communication within the meaning of regulation 10.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment, estimating the financial impact of the Regulations on suppliers, dealers and wholesalers of household dishwashers covered by the scheme, can be obtained from: Energy, Environment and Waste Directorate, Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 3DE.