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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**WATER RESOURCES, ENGLAND AND WALES**

The Water Environment (Water Framework  
Directive) (England and Wales) Regulations 2003

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).*

“Aquifer” means a subsurface layer or layers of rock or...

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2. The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act 1975.
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6. Parts 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 of the...
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PART 2 — SUBORDINATE INSTRUMENTS

8. The Sludge (Use in Agriculture) Regulations 1989.
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13. The Waste Management Licensing Regulations 1994.
14. The Urban Waste Water Treatment (England and Wales) Regulations 1994....
15. The Protection of Water Against Agricultural Nitrate Pollution (England and...
16. Surface Waters (Abstraction for Drinking Water) (Classification) Regulations 1996 and...
17. The Surface Waters (Fishlife) (Classification) Regulations 1997 and the Surface...
18. The Surface Waters (Shellfish) (Classification) Regulations 1997 and the Surface...
19. The Surface Waters (Dangerous Substances) (Classification) Regulations 1997.
20. The Surface Waters (Dangerous Substances) (Classification) Regulations 1998.
21. Action Programme for Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (England and Wales) Regulations...
22. The Groundwater Regulations 1998.
23. The Pollution Prevention and Control (England and Wales) Regulations 2000....
24. The Landfill (England and Wales) Regulations 2002.
25. The Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (Additional Designations) (England) (No. 2) Regulations...
26. The Bathing Waters (Classification) (England) Regulations 2003.
27. The Urban Waste Water Treatment (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations...

Explanatory Note