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**HIGHWAYS**

**WILDLIFE, ENGLAND**

**ENERGY**

**The Infrastructure Act 2015 (Commencement No.1) Regulations  
2015**

*Made* - - - - *2nd March 2015*

The Secretary of State for Transport makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 57(1)(b), (4)(a) and (7)(c) of the Infrastructure Act 2015(a).

**Citation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Infrastructure Act 2015 (Commencement No.1) Regulations 2015.

**Provisions coming into force on 5th March 2015**

2. The following provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 come into force on 5th March 2015—
- (a) Part 1 (strategic highways companies) for remaining purposes,
  - (b) section 24 (native and non-native species etc) so far as it relates to England, and
  - (c) section 25 (Part 4: supplementary) so far as it relates to England.

**Provisions coming into force on 12th April 2015**

3. The following provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 come into force on 12th April 2015—
- (a) section 23 (environmental control of animal and plant species) so far as it relates to England,
  - (b) section 41 (maximising economic recovery of UK petroleum),
  - (c) section 42 (levy on holders of certain energy industry licences), and
  - (d) Schedule 7 (the licensing levy).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

*John Hayes*

2nd March 2015

Minister of State  
Department for Transport

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations are the first commencement regulations made under the Infrastructure Act 2015 (c.7) (“the Act”).

*Regulation 2* brings into force on 5th March 2015 Part 1 for remaining purposes and, in respect of England only, sections 24 and 25 of the Act.

*Regulation 3* brings into force on 12th April 2015 sections 23 (in respect of England only), 41 and 42 of, and Schedule 7 to, the Act.

An impact assessment of the effect that the Act will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector has been produced, and a copy is available at <http://www.parliament.uk/documents/impact-assessments/IA15-003.pdf>. No separate impact assessment has been produced for this instrument.

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