
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

**The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental
Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017**

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

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1. Agriculture, silviculture and aquaculture (a) projects for the restructuring of...
2. Extractive industry (a) quarries, open-cast mining and peat extraction (where...
3. Energy industry (a) industrial installations for the production of electricity,...
4. Production and processing of metals (a) installations for the production...
5. Mineral industry (a) coke ovens (dry coal distillation);
6. Chemical industry (Projects not included in Schedule 1 to these...
7. Food industry (a) manufacture of vegetable and animal oils and...
8. Textile, leather, wood and paper industries (a) industrial plants for...
9. Rubber industry - Manufacture and treatment of elastomer-based products.
10. Infrastructure projects (a) industrial estate development projects;
11. Other projects (a) permanent racing and test tracks for motorised...
12. Tourism and leisure (a) ski-runs, ski-lifts and cable-cars and associated...
13. (1) Any change to or extension of development of a...

SCHEDULE 3 — SELECTION CRITERIA FOR SCREENING SCHEDULE 2 DEVELOPMENT

1. Characteristics of development
2. Location of development
3. Types and characteristics of the potential impact

SCHEDULE 4 — INFORMATION FOR INCLUSION IN ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENTS

1. A description of the development, including in particular—
2. A description of the reasonable alternatives (for example in terms...
3. A description of the relevant aspects of the current state...
4. A description of the factors specified in regulation 5(2) likely...
5. A description of the likely significant effects of the development...
6. A description of the forecasting methods or evidence, used to...
7. A description of the measures envisaged to avoid, prevent, reduce...
8. A description of the expected significant adverse effects of the...
9. A non-technical summary of the information provided under paragraphs 1...
10. A reference list detailing the sources used for the descriptions...

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Explanatory Note