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2. Member State

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3. Department Responsible

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3. Originating Department

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Water Industry, England and Wales, The Water Regulations 1998.

6. Products Concerned

The Regulations apply to any water fitting installed or used, or to be installed or used, in premises to which water is or is to be supplied by a water undertaker.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The Water Regulations are the prevention of waste, undue consumption, misuse and contamination of water supplied by water undertakers in England and Wales. They emphasise the performance standards which the fittings must meet to comply with the requirements, rather than specify particular devices or technology which must be used. The requirements will be based on harmonised European or, where these do not exist, national standards. The national standards will be either British or of another member State where these provide an equivalent level of protection and performance.

The UK will fulfill its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 83/189/EEC (as amended) when these Regulations are officially published.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Water Regulations will replace Water Byelaws, made by each water undertaker. Because the water undertakers in England and Wales are private companies, it is thought more appropriate that national regulations for the prevention of waste, undue consumption and contamination should be made. The regulations are essential in protecting the consumer from drinking or coming into contact with contaminated drinking water supplies, and ensuring that fittings are not installed or altered in such a way as to be dangerous to the consumer or unduly waste water.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

The Water Regulations 1998.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

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