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## The Control of Pollution (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

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### Message

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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#### 2. Member State

United Kingdom.

#### 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

#### 3. Originating Department

Department of the Environment

#### 4. Notification Number

2003/0113/UK – S00E

#### 5. Title

The Control of Pollution (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003



## 6. Products Concerned

cylindrical forage tower silos;  
slurry storage tanks  
effluent tanks (above and below ground level)

## 7. Notification Under Another Act

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## 8. Main Content

These regulations, which will apply to Northern Ireland only, will require persons with custody or control of a crop being made into silage, of livestock slurry or of certain fuel oil on a farm to carry out works and take precautions and other steps for preventing pollution of waters. The regulations will set out requirements for the storage of silage, for slurry storage systems and for agricultural fuel oil storage areas. They will provide exemptions from the requirements and for the loss of those exemptions in certain circumstances.

Northern Ireland will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 98/34/EC (as amended) when this measure is officially published. The required reference to that Directive and the notification requirement will be included in the final set of Regulations.

Recognition is given to products which are legally manufactured and/or sold in another Member State of the European Union or which originate from an EFTA Member country which is a contracting party to the European Economic Area agreement, which hold product certificates or marks of conformity to standards in accordance with the regulations in force in said countries, on the understanding that their equivalence is recognised by the competent body of the autonomous community in which the individual or company which requests said recognition is based, and provided that the latter offers necessary guarantees with regard to the conformity of production to the technical specifications recognised thus.

## 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The aim of the regulations is to reduce the number of water pollution incidents in the agricultural sector and thus prevent the pollution of inland water, coastal water or groundwater. The regulations will make mandatory certain technical specifications for industrially manufactured products used for the storage of silage, slurry and agricultural fuel oil.

## 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Code of Good Practice for the Prevention Pollution of Water. To be published in April 2003 and will be sent separately by post

## 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

NO

## 12. Grounds for the Emergency

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## 13. Confidentiality

NO



**14. Fiscal measures**

NO

**15. Impact assessment**

The impact assessment is attached.

**16. TBT and SPS aspects**

TBT and SPS Aspects

TBT Aspect:

NO. The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect:

NO. The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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