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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Fire and Rescue Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006

PART II

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

CHAPTER IV

WATER SUPPLIES, ETC.

*Fire hydrants*

**Fire hydrants**

- 17.—(1) The Board shall arrange with the Department for Regional Development—
- (a) for the provision and maintenance of such fire hydrants as are necessary for securing the efficient use of the available supply of water for the purposes specified in Article 15(2); and
  - (b) for indicating by a notice or distinguishing mark, which may be placed on any wall or fence adjoining a road or public place, the locations of fire hydrants.
- (2) A person commits an offence if he uses a fire hydrant otherwise than—
- (a) for the purposes specified in Article 15(2);
  - (b) for any other purpose of the Board; or
  - (c) for any purpose authorised by the Department.
- (3) A person commits an offence if he damages or obstructs a fire hydrant, otherwise than in consequence of use for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (2).
- (4) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (2) or (3) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.