SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 7

MONITORING

PART 1

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Location of monitoring point

- 1.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), where SEPA take samples in compliance with this Part they must do so from the monitoring point situated at each bathing water.
 - (2) SEPA must-
 - (a) locate the monitoring point at every bathing water where most bathers are expected: and,
 - (b) where possible, take samples 30 centimetres below the water's surface and in water that is at least one metre deep.
- (3) Where for whatever reason the taking of samples from the monitoring point is not possible or would pose a danger to any person, SEPA must take samples from the next best site where it is possible to take samples in accordance with sub-paragraph (2)(b) and it is safe to do so.

Monitoring calendar

- 2.—(1) SEPA must-
 - (a) establish a calendar which specifies dates for sampling for every bathing water before the start of every bathing season ("a monitoring calendar"); and
 - (b) take samples at every bathing water no later than 4 days after the date specified in the monitoring calendar.
- (2) SEPA may suspend the monitoring calendar for the duration of an abnormal situation.
- (3) As soon as possible after the end of an abnormal situation SEPA must-
 - (a) take one additional sample in order to verify that the situation has ended;
 - (b) take sufficient additional samples to ensure that it has the minimum number required for the bathing water for the bathing season; and
 - (c) notify the Scottish Ministers of the suspension and provide them with the reasons for it.
- (4) SEPA must not include a sample taken under sub-paragraph (3)(a) in the set of bathing water quality data for a bathing water.
- (5) Where an abnormal situation continues beyond the end of a bathing season, SEPA need not take a sample in terms of sub-paragraph (3)(a).

Monitoring

- 3.—(1) SEPA must-
 - (a) take and analyse at least 4 samples from every bathing water for every bathing season except where subparagraph (2) or (3) applies;
 - (b) take the first such sample for every bathing season shortly before the start of that season;and

- (c) take samples from every bathing water throughout the bathing season at regular intervals and, except where the bathing water is situated in a region subject to special geographical constraints, such intervals must not exceed one month.
- (2) Where the bathing season for a particular bathing water does not exceed 8 weeks, SEPA needs to take and analyse only 3 samples.
- (3) Where a bathing water is situated in a region subject to special geographical constraints, SEPA needs to take and analyse only 3 samples.

Short-term pollution

- **4.**—(1) This paragraph applies where the appropriate signage and management measures for short-term pollution are in place in accordance with regulations 8 and 12 and a short-term pollution incident is occurring or is predicted to occur.
- (2) SEPA may decide not to include samples taken during a short-term pollution incident in the set of bathing water quality data for a bathing water.
- (3) As soon as possible after the end of the short-term pollution incident, SEPA must take one additional sample in order to verify that the incident has ended.
- (4) SEPA must not include the sample taken under sub-paragraph (3) in the set of bathing water quality data for a bathing water.
- (5) 7 days after the end of the short-term pollution incident, SEPA must, if necessary, take an additional sample to ensure that it has the minimum number required for the bathing water for the bathing season.
- (6) The number of samples disregarded under sub-paragraph (2) by SEPA must represent no more than the greater of—
 - (a) 15 percent of the total number of samples provided for in the monitoring calendars for the relevant assessment period and that bathing season; or
 - (b) one sample per bathing season.

PART 2

CYANOBACTERIA

5. Where any bathing water profile indicates a potential for cyanobacterial proliferation, SEPA must monitor that bathing water at the frequency necessary to allow adequate management measures to be put in place in accordance with regulation 14.

PART 3

OTHER POLLUTION

6. SEPA and the relevant local authority must each establish a visual monitoring programme at every bathing water at the frequency necessary to allow adequate management measures to be put in place in accordance with regulation 16.

PART 4

MACRO-ALGAE AND MARINE PHYTOPLANKTON

- 7. Where any bathing water profile indicates a tendency for proliferation of macro-algae or marine phytoplankton, SEPA must carry out such investigations at that bathing water as are necessary to—
 - (a) determine whether such proliferation constitutes a health risk to bathers; and
 - (b) allow adequate management measures to be put in place in accordance with regulation 15.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Bathing Waters (Scotland)
Regulations 2008, SCHEDULE 2.