



# Radioactive Substances Act 1993

## 1993 CHAPTER 12

### *Preliminary*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>1GA. Historic radium contamination: Northern Ireland**

A substance or article is not radioactive material or radioactive waste where the substance or article arises from the remediation of land contaminated by radium and—

- (a) the substance or article contains Ra-226 or its progeny;
- (b) in the absence of Ra-226 or its progeny, the substance or article would not otherwise be radioactive material or radioactive waste under this section;
- (c) the contamination occurred prior to 13 May 2000; and
- (d) the concentration of Ra-226 and any progeny resulting from the decay of Ra-226 does not exceed the following values—
  - (i) for a substance or article which is a solid or a substance which is relevant a liquid, 1Bq/g;
  - (ii) for a substance which is any other liquid, 1Bq/l; or
  - (iii) for a substance which is a gas, 0.01 Bq/m<sup>3</sup>.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 1GA inserted (N.I.) (1.6.2018) by [The Radioactive Substances \(Modification of Enactments\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2018 \(S.R. 2018/116\)](#), regs. 1(1), **2(2)(c)**

**Changes to legislation:**

Radioactive Substances Act 1993, Section 1GA is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

[View outstanding changes](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act modified by [2014 c. 20 Sch. 1 para. 5](#)
- Act saving for effects of S.I. 2016/1154, reg. 72 by [S.S.I. 2018/219 Sch. 5 para. 346](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 34A(1A)-(1C) inserted by [2022 c. 35 s. 14\(3\)](#)