
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Part I of the Environment Act 1995 establishes the Environment Agency for England and Wales, and transfers to it the functions, property, rights and liabilities of the National Rivers Authority, Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Pollution and waste regulation authorities, together with certain functions, property, rights and liabilities of the Secretary of State: see sections 2 and 3 of the Environment Act 1995. The National Rivers Authority is abolished by section 2(3) of the Environment Act 1995. These regulations make a number of consequential amendments to other legislation.

Regulation 2 and Schedule 1 convert statutory references to the National Rivers Authority in the enactments listed in Schedule 1 to references to the Environment Agency.

Regulation 3 and Schedule 2 effect other consequential amendments to the enactments listed in Schedule 2.