
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Part I of the Environment Act 1995 establishes the Scottish Environment Protection Agency and transfers to it the functions, property, rights and liabilities of river purification authorities, waste regulation authorities, disposal authorities, and Her Majesty's Industrial Pollution Inspectorate together with some functions, property, rights and liabilities of the Health and Safety Executive, local authorities and the Secretary of State. Regulation 2 and the Schedule to the Regulations make a number of minor and consequential amendments to primary and secondary legislation in consequence of these transfers. Regulation 3 makes transitional provisions for consideration of questions for determination by the Secretary of State under section 39 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974.