

Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2012 concerning the making available on the market and use of biocidal products (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER I

SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

Article 1

Purpose and subject matter

1 The purpose of this Regulation is to improve the functioning of the internal market through the harmonisation of the rules on the making available on the market and the use of biocidal products, whilst ensuring a high level of protection of both human and animal health and the environment. The provisions of this Regulation are underpinned by the precautionary principle, the aim of which is to safeguard the health of humans, the health of animals and the environment. Particular attention shall be paid to the protection of vulnerable groups.

- 2 This Regulation lays down rules for:
- a the establishment at Union level of a list of active substances which may be used in biocidal products;
 - b the authorisation of biocidal products;
 - c the mutual recognition of authorisations within the Union;
 - d the making available on the market and the use of biocidal products within one or more Member States or the Union;
 - e the placing on the market of treated articles.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

View outstanding changes

Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Art. 1(1) word omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 62(2)(a)
- Art. 1(1) words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 62(2)(b)
- Art. 1(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 62(3)(a)
- Art. 1(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 62(3)(c)
- Art. 1(2) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 62(3)(a) by S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 21(a)
- Art. 1(2) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 62(3)(c) by S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 21(a)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Annex 3 para. 4 substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(3)
- Annex 3 para. 2 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(2)(c)
- Annex 3 para. 2 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(2)(d)
- Annex 3 para. 8 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(5)
- Annex 3 para. 2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(2)(a)
- Annex 3 para. 2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(2)(b)
- Annex 3 para. 6 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 141(4)
- Annex 2 para. 4 substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 140(3)
- Annex 2 para. 2 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 140(2)(b)
- Annex 2 para. 8 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 140(5)
- Annex 2 para. 2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 140(2)(a)
- Annex 2 para. 6 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 140(4)
- Annex 4 para. 1.3 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 142(b)
- Annex 4 para. 1.5 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 142(c)
- Annex 4 para. 3.1 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 142(d)
- Annex 4 para. 1.2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 142(a)
- Annex 6 para. 10 word substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(6)
- Annex 6 para. 13 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(9)(a)
- Annex 6 para. 15 words omitted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(10)
- Annex 6 para. 1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(2)(a)
- Annex 6 para. 1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(2)(b)
- Annex 6 para. 6 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(3)
- Annex 6 para. 8 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(4)
- Annex 6 para. 9 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(5)(a)
- Annex 6 para. 9 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(5)(b)
- Annex 6 para. 11 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(7)
- Annex 6 para. 12 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(8)
- Annex 6 para. 13 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(9)(b)
- Annex 6 para. 20 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 26 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 36 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 48 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 50 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 51 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 52 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 53 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)
- Annex 6 para. 55 words substituted by S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143(11)

- Annex 6 para. 56 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 57 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 58 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 59 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 60 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 62 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 64 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 66 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 67 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 68 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 69 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 71 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 72 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 73 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 74 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 75 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 77 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 78 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(11\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 52 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(12\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 75 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(13\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 77 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 143\(14\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 143(14) substituted immediately before IP completion day by [S.I. 2020/1567, reg. 1\(2\), Sch. 2 para. 39\(b\)](#))
- Annex 6 para. 77 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 143\(14\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 39\(b\)](#)
- Annex 6 para. 52 words substituted in earlier amending [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 143\(12\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 39\(a\)](#)
- Art. 1(2)(c) omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 62\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 63\(2\)\(b\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 22](#)
- Art. 2(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 63\(2\)\(c\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 22](#)
- Art. 2(k) substituted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 63\(2\)\(d\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 22](#)
- Art. 3(1)(d) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(e) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(f) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(k) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(d\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 64(2)(d) substituted immediately before IP completion day by [S.I. 2020/1567, reg. 1\(2\), Sch. 2 para. 23\(a\)](#))
- Art. 3(1)(k) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(d\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 23\(a\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(m) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(e\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(m) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(n) substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(f\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(n) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(f\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 23\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(o) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(g\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(p) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(h\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(p) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(h\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(p) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(h\)\(ii\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 23\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(t) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(x) omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(j\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(af)-(ah) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(2\)\(k\)](#)

- Art. 3(1)(ai) substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 64(2)(k) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 23\(d\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(aj) substituted for point (ah) the second time it occurs in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 64(2)(k) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 23\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 3(3)-(7) substituted for Art. 3(3)(4) by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 64\(3\)](#)
- Art. 5(1)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 65\(a\)](#)
- Art. 6(5)(6) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 66\(4\)](#)
- Art. 8(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 68\(5\)](#)
- Art. 8A inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 69](#)
- Art. 8A word substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 69 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 24](#)
- Art. 9(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 70\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 70\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 9(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 70\(3\)](#)
- Art. 12(4) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 73\(d\)](#)
- Art. 14(4)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 75\(5\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 14(4)(b) word substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 75\(5\)\(e\)](#)
- Art. 14(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 75\(6\)](#)
- Art. 14(4A) word substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 75(6) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 26](#)
- Art. 14(5A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 75\(8\)](#)
- Art. 17A inserted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 78A \(as inserted\) by S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 27](#)
- Art. 19(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 80\(a\)](#)
- Art. 19(4)(a) omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 80\(b\)](#)
- Art. 24A inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 85](#)
- Art. 25(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 86\(a\)](#)
- Art. 25(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 86\(b\)](#)
- Art. 26(2A)-(2C) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 26(3A)(3B) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 28(3)-(7) substituted for Art. 28(3)-(5) by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 89\(c\)](#)
- Art. 29(1A)(1B) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(3\)](#)
- Art. 29(2)(a) omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 90\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 29(2)(b) omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 90\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 30(1A)-(1C) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 30(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(4\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 30(4) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(4\)\(f\)](#)
- Art. 55(4)(d) and semicolon omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 102 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 28\(a\)](#)
- Art. 55(7) Art. 55(9) renumbered as Art. 55(7) in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 102 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 28\(c\)](#)
- Art. 55(7)(8) omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 102 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 28\(b\)](#)
- Art. 55(7) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 102 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 28\(d\)](#)
- Art. 58(9) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 105\(6\)](#)
- Art. 60(4)(5) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 107\(3\)](#)
- Art. 60(4)(5) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 107(3) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 29](#)
- Art. 69(2)(c) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 115\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 69(2)(o) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 115\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 115(3)(b) substituted immediately before IP completion day by [S.I. 2020/1567, reg. 1\(2\), Sch. 2 para. 32](#))
- Art. 69(2)(o) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 115\(3\)\(b\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 32](#)
- Art. 83A83B inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 125](#)

- Art. 83B(1) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 125 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 35\(a\)](#)
- Art. 83B(4)-(7) omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 129 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 35\(b\)](#)
- Art. 88(2) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 129 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 36\(a\)](#)
- Art. 88(3)(d) omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 129 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 36\(b\)](#)
- Art. 88(6) Art. 88(8) renumbered as Art. 88(6) in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 129 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 36\(d\)](#)
- Art. 88(6) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 129 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 36\(e\)](#)
- Art. 88(7)(8) omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 129 by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 36\(c\)](#)
- Art. 89(7) words inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 89(7A)-(7C) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 89(8) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 89(9) words inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(5\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 89(9A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(5\)\(e\)](#)
- Art. 89(12) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(5\)\(f\)](#)
- Art. 92(1A)-(1C) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 133](#)
- Art. 93(a) word substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 134\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 93(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 134\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 93(b) word substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 134\(4\)](#)
- Art. 94(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 135\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 94(1)(a) words substituted in earlier amending S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 2 para. 135(2)(b) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 2 para. 37](#)
- Art. 95(8) inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 136\(6\)](#)
- Art. 95A-95L inserted by [S.I. 2019/720 Sch. 2 para. 137](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 137 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1567, reg. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 38)
- Art. 95A-95N inserted by S.I. 2019/720, Sch. 4 para. 2 (as inserted) by [S.I. 2020/1567 Sch. 4](#)
- Art. 95B(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(6\)](#)
- Art. 95C(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(7\)](#)
- Art. 95H(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(9\)](#)
- Art. 95FA and cross-heading inserted by [S.I. 2022/1291 reg. 2\(8\)](#)