### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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## Groundwater Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009

## PART 5

#### Enforcement and penalties

### **Codes of practice**

**27.**—(1) The Department may approve for the purposes of these Regulations codes of practice issued for the purpose of giving practical guidance to persons engaged in any activity that may result in discharging hazardous substances or non-hazardous pollutants on the steps they should take to prevent such substances or pollutants from entering groundwater.

(2) The Department shall take into account whether or not such a code of practice is being or is likely to be complied with before taking any enforcement action under these Regulations.

(3) A code of practice shall be publicised as the Department sees fit.