

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 1(2)

FLUID CATEGORIES

Fluid category 1

Wholesome water supplied by a water undertaker and complying with the requirements of The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007⁽¹⁾.

Fluid category 2

Water which would be in fluid category 1 except whose aesthetic quality is impaired owing to—

- (a) a change in its temperature, or
- (b) the presence of substances or organisms causing a change in its taste, odour or appearance, including water in a hot water distribution system.

Fluid category 3

Fluid which represents a slight health hazard because of the concentration of substances of low toxicity, including any fluid which contains—

- (a) ethylene glycol, copper sulphate solution or similar chemical additives, or
- (b) sodium hypochlorite (chlorox and common disinfectants).

Fluid category 4

Fluid which represents a significant health hazard because of the concentration of toxic substances, including any fluid which contains—

- (a) chemical, carcinogenic substances or pesticides (including insecticides and herbicides), or
- (b) environmental organisms of potential health significance.

Fluid category 5

Fluid representing a serious health hazard because of the concentration of pathogenic organisms, radioactive or very toxic substances, including any fluid which contains—

- (a) faecal material or other human waste;
- (b) butchery or other animal waste; or
- (c) pathogens from any other source.

(1) [S.R. 2007/147](#) as amended by [S.R. 2009/246](#)