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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2023 No. 6**

**The Packaging Waste (Data Reporting)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023**

**PART 1**

**General**

**Modifications to the Waste Directive**

4.—(1) For the purposes of these Regulations, the Waste Directive is to be read in accordance with this regulation.

(2) A reference to one or more member States in a provision imposing an obligation or conferring a discretion on a member State or member States is to be read as a reference to the authority, agency or local authority which, immediately before IP completion day, was responsible for the United Kingdom's compliance with that obligation or able to exercise that discretion.

(3) Article 5 is to be read as if—

(a) in paragraph 1, “Member States shall take appropriate measures to ensure that” were omitted;

(b) after paragraph 1 there were inserted—

“**1A.** Any decision as to whether a substance or object is a by-product must be made —

(a) in accordance with any regulations setting out the detailed criteria on the application of the conditions in paragraph 1 to specific substances or objects; and

(b) having regard to any guidance published by the Department for the purposes of this Article.”;

(c) paragraphs 2 and 3 were omitted.

(4) Article 6 is to be read as if—

(a) in paragraph 1, “Member States shall take appropriate measures to ensure that” were omitted;

(b) after paragraph 1 there were inserted—

“**1A.** Any decision as to whether a substance or object has ceased to be waste must be made—

(a) in accordance with any regulations or retained direct EU legislation setting out detailed criteria on the application of the condition in paragraph 1 to specific types of waste; and

(b) having regard to any guidance published by the Department for the purposes of this Article.”;

(c) in paragraph 2—

(i) the first subparagraph were omitted;

- (ii) in the second, subparagraph, for “Those detailed criteria” there were substituted “Any detailed criteria set out in guidance as referred to in paragraph 1A”.
- (iii) the third and fourth subparagraphs were omitted;
- (d) paragraph 3 were omitted;
- (e) in paragraph 4—
  - (i) in the first subparagraph—
    - (aa) in the first sentence, for the words from the beginning to “Member State”, there were substituted “Where criteria have not been set out as referred to in paragraph 1A(a), the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs”;
    - (bb) the second sentence were omitted;
  - (ii) in the second subparagraph—
    - (aa) for “Member States” there were substituted “the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs”,
    - (bb) “by competent authorities” were omitted.