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**The Designation of Nitrate Vulnerable  
Zones (Scotland) Regulations 2015**

**Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation**

**1.—**(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Designation of Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (Scotland) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 1st January 2016.

(2) These Regulations extend to Scotland only.

(3) In these Regulations—

- (a) any reference to a numbered Article is to the Article so numbered in Council [Directive 91/676/EEC](#) concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources<sup>(1)</sup>; and
- (b) “the 2008 Regulations” means the Action Programme for Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (Scotland) Regulations 2008<sup>(2)</sup>.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p.1, as amended by Regulation [\(EC\) 1882/2003](#) (OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p.1) and Regulation [\(EC\) 1137/2008](#) (OJ L 311, 21.11.2008, p.1).

<sup>(2)</sup> [S.S.I. 2008/298](#), as relevantly amended by [S.S.I. 2013/123](#) and [S.S.I. 2014/373](#).