
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Cosmetic Products (Safety) Regulations 2008

Responsible persons and competent authorities

15.—(1) A responsible person means in relation to a relevant cosmetic product—

- (a) the manufacturer of the product,
- (b) the manufacturer's agent,
- (c) the person to whose order that cosmetic product is manufactured, or
- (d) where the manufacturer or the person to whose order the cosmetic product is manufactured is not established in the EEA and either—
 - (i) the manufacturer has not appointed an agent, or
 - (ii) the manufacturer's agent is not the supplier of that cosmetic product,the person who first supplies the cosmetic product in the EEA.

(2) A “competent authority” means a body responsible for requiring and receiving the information provided for in regulations 16, 17 and 19 and granting and refusing requests for confidentiality in accordance with regulation 21, and which is—

- (a) a United Kingdom competent authority; or
- (b) a competent authority of a Member State other than the United Kingdom, having been notified as a competent authority by the Member State concerned to the Commission in accordance with Articles 7.3 and 7a.5 of the Directive and Article 10 of Directive [95/17/EC](#)(1);

(3) The United Kingdom competent authority shall be the Secretary of State provided that he may from time to time appoint such person as he thinks fit to be a United Kingdom competent authority in addition to or in substitution for himself.