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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Nitrate Pollution Prevention Regulations 2015**

**PART 5**

**Controlling the spreading of nitrogen fertiliser**

**Risk map**

**15.**—(1) An occupier of a holding who spreads organic manure on that holding must produce and maintain a map of the holding (a “risk map”) which shows the following—

- (a) each field, with its area in hectares;
- (b) all surface waters;
- (c) any boreholes, springs or wells on the holding or within 50 metres of the boundary of the holding;
- (d) areas with sandy or shallow soils;
- (e) land with an incline greater than 12 degrees;
- (f) land within 10 metres of surface waters;
- (g) land within 50 metres of a borehole, spring or well;
- (h) land drains (other than a sealed impermeable pipe);
- (i) sites suitable for temporary field heaps if this method of storing manure is to be used;
- (j) land that has a low run-off risk.

(2) The information under paragraph (1)(j) need not be included in a risk map produced by an occupier who does not intend to spread manure on land that has a low run-off risk during the storage period as referred to in regulation 25.

(3) Where a change in circumstances affects a matter referred to in paragraph (1), the occupier must update the risk map within three months of the change.

(4) The occupier must keep a copy of the risk map for the holding.

(5) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a holding on which organic manure is spread only in a greenhouse.