STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 1577

The REACH etc. (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

PART 4

Amendment of the REACH Enforcement Regulations 2008

Amendment of the REACH Enforcement Regulations 2008 in Northern Ireland

14. The REACH Enforcement Regulations 2008(1) are amended in accordance with this Part.

The regulations

15.—(1) After regulation 1 insert—

"Application

1A. These Regulations apply to Northern Ireland, including offshore installations in relevant waters within the seaward limits of the territorial sea adjacent to Northern Ireland.".

- (2) In regulation 2(1)—
 - (a) in the definition of "a listed REACH provision", for "the REACH table" substitute "a REACH table";
 - (b) for the definition of "REACH" substitute-

""REACH" means—

- (a) in respect of the listed REACH provisions in Schedule 1, Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals(2) as it has effect in EU law as amended from time to time ("EU REACH"),
- (b) in respect of the listed REACH provisions in Schedule 1A, Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals as it forms part of retained EU law as amended from time to time ("retained REACH") ";
- (c) for the definition of "the REACH table" substitute—

""a REACH table" means-

- (a) the table in Schedule 1 to these Regulations, or
- (b) the table in Schedule 1A to these Regulations;

"the relevant REACH table" means—

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2008/2852 as amended by S.I. 2009/716, 2010/1513, 2011/3058, 2012/632, S.S.I. 2013/119, S.I. 2013/755, 1948, 2919,

^{2014/469, 1638, 2882, 3248, 2015/21, 51, 1682, 2017/1075, 2018/390.}

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 396, 30.12.2006, p. 1, as last amended by Regulation (EU) 2020/507 (OJ No. L110, 8.4.2000, p. 1).

- (a) in relation to a listed REACH provision, the REACH table in which that REACH provision is listed;
- (b) in relation to an enforcement duty, the REACH table under which that enforcement duty arises.".
- (3) In regulation 2(2)—
 - (a) in the definition of "competent authority", in paragraph (d)—
 - (i) for "Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment" substitute "Department for the Economy";
 - (ii) for "Department of the Environment" substitute "Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs";
 - (b) after the definition of "devolved administration or the Assembly", insert-
 - ""district council" has the meaning given by section 44 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**);";
 - (c) in the definition of "enforcing authority"—
 - (i) in paragraph (a), for "Department of the Environment" substitute "Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs";
 - (ii) after paragraph (i), insert-
 - "(j) a district council;";
 - (d) after the definition of "relevant waters", insert-

""retained REACH Agency" means the Agency as defined in Article 2A of retained REACH;".

- (4) In regulation 2(3), for "REACH" substitute "EU REACH" on both occasions.
- (5) In regulation 3—
 - (a) for "REACH table", in each place it occurs, substitute "relevant REACH table";
 - (b) in paragraph (5)—
 - (i) omit subparagraph (a);
 - (ii) in subparagraph (b), for "in relevant waters" substitute "within the seaward limits of the territorial sea";
 - (iii) omit subparagraph (c)
- (6) Omit regulation 3A.
- (7) In regulation 4—
 - (a) in paragraph (1)(c), for "another member State" substitute "a member State";
 - (b) in the words after paragraph (1)(d), for "REACH in the European Union" substitute "EU REACH in Northern Ireland or the European Union";
 - (c) after paragraph (1), insert—
 - "(1A) An enforcing authority must co-operate with-
 - (a) the retained REACH Agency;
 - (b) the appropriate authorities; and
 - (c) other enforcing authorities,

^{(3) 1954} c. 33 (N.I.). The definition of "district council" was inserted by the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 (c. 9 (N.I.)).

where this will facilitate compliance with, or the effective enforcement of, retained REACH.";

- (d) in paragraph (2)—
 - (i) in the words before subparagraph (a), for "paragraph (1)" substitute "paragraph (1) or (1A)";
 - (ii) in subparagraph (b), after "REACH in" insert "Northern Ireland or".
- (8) In regulation 7-
 - (a) in paragraph (1), after "listed REACH provision" insert "in Schedule 1".
 - (b) in paragraph (1)(b), for "another" substitute "a";
 - (c) after paragraph (1), insert—

"(1A) A person is exempt from compliance with a listed REACH provision in Schedule 1A if that person has the benefit of a defence exemption certificate made by the Secretary of State in respect of that provision.".

(9) Omit regulation 24.

The Schedules

16.—(1) In the title of Schedule 1, after "Table of" insert "EU".

- (2) In the table in Schedule 1—
 - (a) omit the third and fourth columns;
 - (b) in the fifth column—
 - (i) for "Department of the Environment" substitute "Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs" wherever it occurs;
 - (ii) for "Local (health and safety) authorities" substitute "District councils" wherever it occurs;
 - (iii) omit "Local (consumer safety) authorities." wherever it occurs;
 - (iv) in the entry for Article 33(2), after "Northern Ireland." insert "District councils.".
 - (c) in the sixth column, omit "The Health and Safety Executive." wherever it occurs.
- (3) After Schedule 1 insert—

"SCHEDULE 1A

Regulation 2(1)

Table of retained REACH provisions

Provision of retained	Subject matter	Enforcing authority	
REACH		Northern Ireland	Offshore installations
Article 14(6).	Requirement on a registrant to identify and apply the appropriate measures adequately to control the risks identified in the chemical safety assessment and where suitable to recommend them in a safety data sheet that is supplied.	Executive for Northern Ireland. The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland. Secretary of State.

Provision of retained REACH	Subject matter	Enforcing authority	
		Northern Ireland	Offshore installations
Article 31(1).		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
Article 31(2)-(9).		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
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Provision of retained	d Subject matter	Enforcing authority	
REACH	11 (general rules for	Northern Ireland	Offshore installations
	adaptation of the standard testing regime set out in Annexes 7 to 10).		
	-	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	-
	distributor to pass	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	2
	a safety data sheet	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
Article 32.		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.
Article 32(2), (3).		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern	

Provision of retained REACH	Subject matter	Enforcing authority		
		Northern Ireland	Offshore installations	
	time of first delivery of a substance or a mixture.			
		The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.		
	Duty on a supplier to provide to all recipients to whom they have supplied within the preceding twelve months updated information.			
Article 36(1).	Requirement on a manufacturer, importer, downstream user or distributor to keep available for at least ten years after it last manufactured, imported, supplied or used the substance or mixture, all the information it requires to carry out its duties under REACH.	Executive for Northern Ireland. The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
	Requirement on a manufacturer, importer, downstream user or distributor to submit or make available information to an appropriate authority or the Agency when requested to do so.	Executive for Northern		
Article 36(2).	Requirement on a party responsible for liquidating the registrant's, downstream user's or distributor's undertaking or assuming responsibility for the placing on the market of the substance or mixture concerned, to comply with Article 36(1).	Executive for Northern	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	
Article 60(10).	Requirement on a holder of an authorisation to ensure that the exposure	Executive for Northern	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.	

Provision of retained	Subject matter	Enforcing authority	
REACH		Northern Ireland	Offshore installations
	is reduced to as low a level as is technically and practically possible.	The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs. District councils.	Secretary of State.
Article 65.	Requirement on a holder of an authorisation or a downstream user to include the authorisation number on the label before placing the substance or mixture on the market for an authorised use.	Executive for Northern Ireland.	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.
Article 127E(7), (8) and (9).	Requirement to supply information to the Agency where importer continues to be regarded as downstream user.	Executive for Northern	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.
Article 139A(6), (7) and (8).	Requirement to supply information to the Agency in respect of a protected NI import.	Executive for Northern	The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland.".

(4) In Schedule 4—

- (a) in paragraph 6, after "paragraph 7" insert "or 7A";
- (b) in paragraph 7, after "paragraph 6" insert "in respect of EU REACH";
- (c) in paragraph 7(c), for "another" substitute "a";
- (d) after paragraph 7, insert—

"7A. The persons referred to in paragraph 6 in respect of retained REACH are—

- (a) the retained REACH Agency;
- (b) the appropriate authorities;
- (c) an enforcing authority.".