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WATER AND SEWERAGE

The Surface Waters (Classification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995

Made . . . . . *16th January 1995*

Coming into operation . . *1st March 1995*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 4B of the Water Act (Northern Ireland) 1972(**a**) and now vested in it(**b**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Surface Waters (Classification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1995.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations "waters" means surface fresh waters used or intended for use in the abstraction of drinking water.

Classification of waters

3. The classifications prescribed by these regulations shall apply to the waters of any waterway.

4. The classifications DW1, DW2 and DW3 and the criteria for those classifications set out in the Schedule shall apply for classifying waters by reference to their suitability for abstraction by the Department for supply (after treatment) as drinking water for the purposes of regulation 22(3) of the Water Quality Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994(**c**).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 16th January 1995.

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(**a**) 1972 c. 5 (N.I.) as amended by the Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/3165 (N.I. 16) Art. 16)
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 4
(**c**) S.R. 1994 No. 221