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### New on NetRegs

#### **NEW Guidance for Pollution Prevention (GPPs) launched this month**

NetRegs have recently updated and published the following GPPs:-

**GPP 8: Safe storage and disposal of used oils**

This GPP provides guidance on storing and disposing of used oils. Applies to activities; ranging from a single engine oil change to those of large industrial users.

[GPP 8: Safe storage and disposal of used oils](#)

**GPP 21: Pollution Incident Response Planning**

This GPP provides guidance on producing emergency pollution incident response plans to deal with accidents, spillages and fires.

[GPP 21: Pollution incident response planning](#)

**Other recently updated GPPs include:**

[GPP 2: Above ground oil storage tanks](#)

[GPP 5: Works and maintenance in or near water](#)

[GPP 13: Vehicle washing and cleaning](#)

[GPP 19: Vehicles: Service and Repair](#)

[GPP 24: Stables, kennels, catteries](#)

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## Updates

### ESOS Phase 2 – Prepare now!!

The **Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS)** is a mandatory energy assessment scheme for organisations in the United Kingdom that are regarded as a 'large undertaking'.

The compliance period for Phase 2 of the scheme is now underway and qualifying organisations are now able to begin the compliance process. Although there are some exemptions for public bodies, the regulations require all other large UK organisations to take three important steps before the compliance date of 5 December 2019:

1. measure their total energy consumption;
2. conduct audits to identify cost-effective energy efficiency opportunities; and
3. report compliance to NIEA.

Organisations are being urged to act early to help avoid disruption, enforcement action and also help unlock the financial savings brought by greater energy efficiency.

Guidance on the ESOS regulations can be found on the NetRegs website:

[Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme \(ESOS\)](#)

For information on simple ways to save energy check out the [Energy Efficiency](#) pages on the NetRegs website.

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### Environmental Farming Scheme Wider Level – don't miss the acceptance deadline

Farmers offered an Environmental Farming Scheme (EFS) Wider level Scheme agreement have until **31 July 2017** to accept their agreement otherwise it will be withdrawn.



To accept the offer of an EFS Wider Level

Scheme agreement, farmers must log on to the [Government Gateway](#) where they can view their agreement document and associated information including the terms and conditions of the Scheme.

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## General guidance for applying for a waste management licence

DAERA has produced a number of guidance documents providing information, including application forms and relevant fees that apply when applying for a waste management licence under the Waste Management Licensing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003.

You can view the documents here:  
[General guidance for applying for a waste management licence.](#)

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## Wildlife law and you

This guidance booklet gives a broad outline of the laws protecting wildlife, particularly, but not exclusively, those relating to the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order (As amended) 1985.

You can view the booklet here:  
[Wildlife law and you](#)



## Animal by-products approved premises

DAERA has updated the lists of animal by-products approved premises.

You can view the updated lists here:  
[Animal by-products approved premises](#)

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## NIEA Regulatory Position Statements:

## Low Risk Activities

This document sets out NIEA's regulatory position on the low risk activities described in Appendix A.

You can view the regulatory position statement here:

[Regulatory Position Statement – Low Risk Activities](#)



## Restriction on the use of waste gypsum and plasterboard in animal bedding

This document sets out the NIEA's regulatory position on the restriction on the use of waste gypsum and plasterboard in animal bedding.

You can view the regulatory position statement here:

[Restriction on the use of waste gypsum and plasterboard in animal bedding](#)

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