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### **IMPORTANT!! General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

Regulations on data protection are changing. We are getting GDPR ready and wanted to remind you how we use your personal data.

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## New on NetRegs



### Environmental news/blogs section

Keep up to date with all of the latest news with NetRegs. We have created a NEW environmental news/blogs section on the website which we will regularly fill with interesting news and guest blogs etc.

Check out the latest news and blogs from NetRegs here:

[Environmental news on NetRegs](#)

### Come and say hello at the Balmoral show this year!

We are very excited to have the opportunity to be at Balmoral this year to celebrate the shows 150<sup>th</sup> year from the 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

NetRegs will have a stand in the Eikon building, and together with Northern Ireland Environment Agency staff, look forward seeing you there!

## New Legislation



## Renewable Transport Fuels and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Regulations 2018

These Regulations amend the Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations Order 2007, the Energy Act 2004 and the Motor Fuel (Road Vehicle and Mobile Machinery) Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting Regulations 2012. They aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from fuels supplied in transport, thereby supporting the delivery of savings to meet UK carbon budgets. They also align UK schemes with requirements in EU legislation.

The Regulations came into force on 15 April 2018

You can read the Regulations in full here

[Renewable Transport Fuels and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Regulations 2018](#)

## The Ionising Radiation (Basic Safety Standards) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2018

This instrument transposes new requirements contained in the European Council Directive 2013/59/Euratom.

Most of the requirements of the Directive are already implemented in existing United Kingdom legislation. This Instrument is necessary to transpose new requirements contained in the Directive concerning public exposures that do not fit within existing regimes. The Directive also incorporates recommendations from the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP).

The Regulations come into force on 08 May 2018

Read the full text of the Regulations here:

[The Ionising Radiation \(Basic Safety Standards\) \(Miscellaneous Provisions\) Regulations 2018](#)

## Consultations



### Consultation on proposed Marine Plan

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) is consulting on the proposed Marine Plan for Northern Ireland. When adopted, the plan will primarily be used by public authorities taking decisions which affect or might affect the marine area. It may also be used by anyone who has an interest in the marine area, including those bringing forward proposals and stakeholders who wish to comment on such proposals. You are invited to express your views on the proposed marine plan.

Any comments should be made before the 15 June 2018 17:00.

You can view the consultation document here <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/consultations/consultation-proposed-marine-plan>

## European Commission Consultations

### Public consultation on the evaluation of the Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive

Closes: 23 July 2018

### Public consultation on potential measures for regulating the environmental impact of machine tools and welding equipment

Closes: 10 July 2018

### Evaluation of the EU framework for taxation of energy products and electricity

Closes: 04 June 2018

### Public consultation on ecodesign and energy labelling on refrigerators, dishwashers, washing machines, televisions, computers and lamps

Closes: 07 May 2018

## Updates

### Pilot scheme offers farmers free environmental audit

A new pilot scheme aimed at improving the environment, reducing the number of on-farm inspections and helping farmers comply with payment rules has been launched by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA). By identifying and tackling minor environmental issues around the farm and addressing them promptly, the aim is to improve the environment and at the same time reduce the chances of cross compliance inspections and breaches.

You can read more about the pilot scheme and how to take part here <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/news/pilot-scheme-offers-farmers-free-environmental-audit>



### Registration of Carriers Application Form Guidance

If you are applying for registration as Carrier, Broker of, or Dealer in controlled waste – Upper/Lower tier the Northern Ireland Environment Agency has published a guidance note containing full details which will help you register.

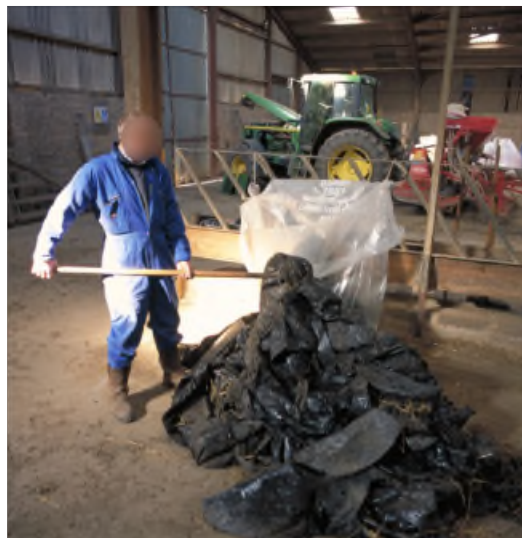
You can access the guidance note here <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/registration-carriers-application-form-guidance>



## Regulatory Position Statement – Duty of Care Responsibilities for farmers

The Northern Ireland Environment Agency has published guidance which outlines the Duty of Care regulatory requirements for the management of agricultural waste. This guide clearly sets out the responsibilities for farmers as waste producers, as waste carriers and also for those farmers wishing to accept waste onto their farm.

You can read the guidance in full here  
<https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/agricultural-waste-roles-and-responsibilities>



## DAERA launches new Knowledge Advisory Service

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) has launched its new single advisory service aimed at supporting Northern Ireland's farm and food businesses. The Knowledge Advisory Service (KAS) will bring together existing advisory functions provided by CAFRE along with agri-environment advisory functions formerly provided by the Department's Countryside Management Unit (CMU). This new service will be managed within a single management structure and located across CAFRE's three campuses and the DAERA Direct office network.

For more information visit - <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/news/daera-launches-new-knowledge-advisory-service>



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