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New on NetRegs



F-Gas refrigeration ban 2020 - e-learning tool

NetRegs has launched their new learning course on The F-gas refrigeration ban. Learn about the 2020 F-gas ban and whether your equipment is affected.

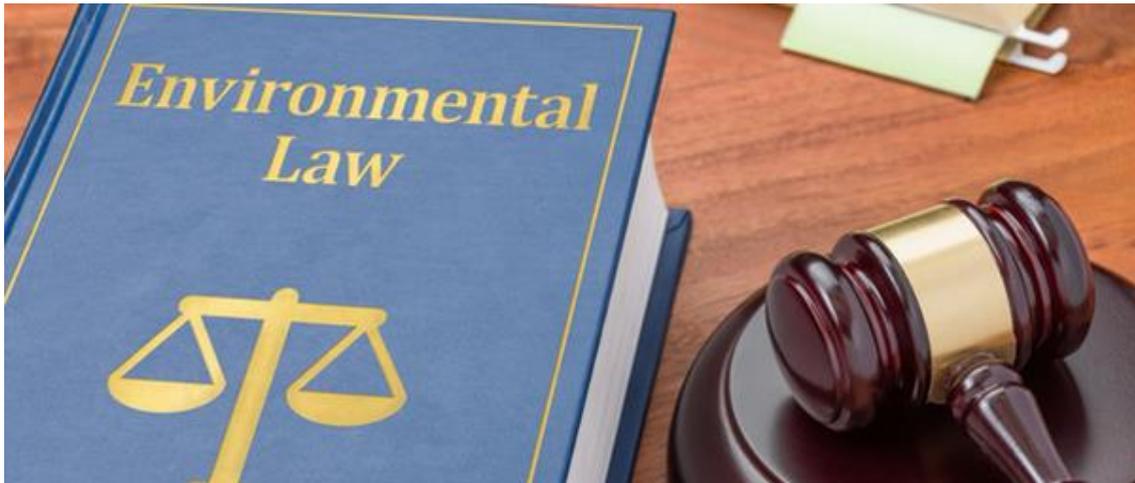
For more details you can [access NetRegs e-learning here](#)

New blog - A day with SEPA's Hydrometry team

SEPA's hydrometry unit is responsible for around 400 gauging stations and 350 rainfall monitoring sites. River gauging stations are important as they allow river levels to be monitored so flood events can be predicted and flood warnings sent out.

Read the blog [here](#).

New Legislation



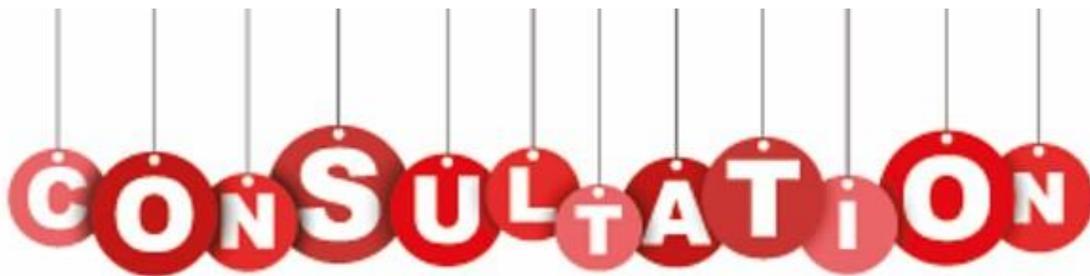
Planning (Scotland) Act 2019

This Act makes provision about how land is developed and used in Scotland, including in relation to development planning and management.

The Act received Royal Assent on 25 July 2019.

[Read more here >>>](#)

Consultations



BEIS Consultations:

Carbon capture, usage and storage (CCUS): business models

The Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) is seeking views on their findings on potential new business models for carbon capture, usage and storage (CCUS).

This consultation closes at 11:45pm on 14 October 2019.

[Read more here >>>](#)

Facilitating energy efficiency in the electricity system

The Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) is seeking views on barriers and routes to market for energy efficiency to become reliable alternative to generation and network reinforcement.

This consultation closes at 11:45pm on 25 September 2019.

[Read more here >>>](#)

Updates

SEPA's new sector plans for the farming sector

SEPA has released new sector plans in the farming sector: Crop Production and Dairy Production.

The sector plan approach is supporting Scottish farmers to improve regulatory compliance and identify voluntary opportunities that benefit both business and the environment.

[Read the new Crop Production and Dairy Production sector plans here >>>](#)



Scottish Government News: Action to address Climate Emergency

New measures have been announced as the Travelling Cabinet meets in Stirling. The cabinet met in the city to discuss key issues affecting the local community. First minister Nicola Sturgeon has opened a £6 million project which uses cutting-edge renewables to harness energy from waste water. £300,000 is also to be invested to expand the Climate Ready Classrooms initiative to help young people aged 14-17 to develop their understanding of climate change, its causes and potential impacts.



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UK Government: Clean Air Strategy 2019

This strategy sets out the comprehensive actions required across all parts of government and society to improve air quality.

The strategy sets out how the UK government will:

- protect the nation's health
- protect the environment
- secure clean growth and innovation
- reduce emissions from transport, homes, farming and industry
- monitor progress

It complements three other UK government strategies: the [Industrial Strategy](#), the [Clean Growth Strategy](#) and the [25 Year Environment Plan](#).

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Who is the "Best of VIBES"? - You decide

Check out VIBES – Scottish Environment Business Awards latest case studies about the 2019 “Best of VIBES” Finalists and cast your vote for who should be VIBES2019 “Best of VIBES” worthy winner.

For more details, visit the [VIBES: Scottish Environment Business Awards website](#).



Events



Scotland's Food and Drink sector in a No-Deal Brexit

When: 05 September 2019

Where: Inverness

Get expert advice and information on transport and logistics, trade and tariffs, as well as the regulations and standards of goods and products in a no-deal Brexit. Find out more about the wider support on offer to the businesses as part of the Prepare for Brexit campaign.

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Get Ready for Glasgow's Low Emission Zone - An Information Event for SMEs

When: 17 September 2019

Where: City Chambers, Glasgow

This event is tailored for small and medium sized enterprises in association with the [Federation of Small Businesses](#), will provide an opportunity to find out more about:

- What the LEZ will mean for your business
- Where you can get information and guidance
- How you can get support that will help you prepare for the transition

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Scottish Resources Conference 2019

When: From 01/10/2019 - 09:00 to 02/10/2019 - 17:00

Where: Perth Concert Hall, Perth, PH1 5 PZ

The Scottish Resources Conference is Scotland's largest and most important event for anyone in Scotland with an interest in, and responsibility for delivering a circular economy. It's a must-attend event for sustainability, resource and waste management professionals.

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The Scottish Smallholder Festival

When: Saturday 26th October 2019

Where: The Forfar Mart

The **Scottish Smallholder Festival** is Scotland's largest smallholder event, celebrating the best of Scottish smallholding, growing and craft.

Organised by smallholders, it is aimed at all those with an interest in the productive use of small land holdings.

[Sign up here >>>](#)

StartUp Summit

When: 30 October 2019

Where: Assembly Rooms, Edinburgh

Startup Summit explores the ever-changing landscape of business, survival in the startup world and how to grow into a thriving business. With more than 30 speakers, Startup Summit offers unparalleled access to some of the world's leading entrepreneurs. Hear experiences and personal stories from top founders; learn how to build your marketing strategy from forward-thinking experts and unlock your potential to become a sustainable business.

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LIFE SMART Waste project final conference

When: 12-13 November 2019

Where: Brussels

LIFE SMART Waste is joining together with INTERPOL's Pollution Crime Working Group (PCWG) to deliver a conference entitled, '**Smarter waste regulation and pollution crime enforcement**'. The joint conference will bring together environmental regulators, law enforcement agencies, policymakers, legislators, waste management industry representatives and other key stakeholders, creating opportunities for knowledge exchange and collaboration on a truly global basis.

Registration is open until 12 October 2019.

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Can Do Innovation Summit – Discover. Imagine. Explore.

When: 20 November 2019

Where: Glasgow Science Centre

Is your business future-ready? Tickets for Scotland's national innovation summit #CANDOSummit are now available!

Meet the innovators, entrepreneurs, academics and investors that can help you adopt new technologies, futureproof your workforce and access the right support to maximise your potential.

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