
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision for implementation of the Ivory Act 2018 (c. 30) (“the Act”). The Act prohibits dealing in ivory unless the item either qualifies for exemption under section 2 of the Act (pre-1918 items of outstanding artistic etc value and importance) or is registered under section 10 of the Act (registration) as falling under one of four categories for exemption specified in sections 6 to 9 (other exemptions).

Part 2 of, and the Schedule to, these Regulations prescribe institutions able to carry out expert assessment of items for which an application for an exemption certificate has been made. Part 2 also makes detailed provision about applications for exemption certificates and dealing in an item in respect of which an exemption certificate was issued to a different person, including the fees payable. Regulations 8 and 9 set out requirements in relation to appeals against a refusal to issue an exemption certificate or against revocation of a certificate.

Part 3 of these Regulations sets out the additional information which must accompany an application under section 10 of the Act (registration) and prescribes the fees payable to the Secretary of State in relation to registration of a single item and to a group registration of a number of items of the same type.

An impact assessment was produced for the Ivory Bill and is available on www.legislation.gov.uk. No additional impact assessment has been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, further impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.