

Commission Implementing Decision of 27 May 2011 establishing, pursuant to Directive 2006/7/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, a symbol for information to the public on bathing water classification and any bathing prohibition or advice against bathing (2011/321/EU)

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(2011/321/EU)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive 2006/7/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 February 2006 concerning the management of bathing water quality and repealing Directive 76/160/EEC<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular point (a) of Article 15(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 12(1)(a) of Directive 2006/7/EC provides for an obligation to inform the public on the current bathing water classification and any bathing prohibition or advice against bathing by means of a clear and simple sign or symbol.
- (2) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 16(1) of Directive 2006/7/EC,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1* **U.K.**

For the purpose of actively disseminating and promptly making available the information on bathing water classification and on any bathing prohibition or advice against bathing referred to in Article 12(1)(a) of Directive 2006/7/EC, the following symbols are hereby established:

1. Symbols for informing on bathing prohibition or advice against bathing are set out in Part 1 of the Annex to this Decision.
2. Symbols for informing on bathing water classification are set out in Part 2 of the Annex to this Decision.

<sup>FI</sup>Article 2 **U.K.**

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** [Art. 2](#) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Floods and Water \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/558\)](#), regs. 1(1), **23**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Done at Brussels, 27 May 2011.

*For the Commission*

*The President*

José Manuel BARROSO

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ANNEX **U.K.**

PART 1 **U.K.**

**Symbols for informing on bathing prohibition or advice against bathing**




**Advice  
against bathing**



**Bathing prohibited**

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PART 2 **U.K.****Symbols for informing on bathing water classification**

	<p><b>Excellent bathing water quality</b></p>  <p> <span>★ ★ ★</span> Excellent  <span>★ ★</span> Good  <span>★</span> Sufficient  <span>—</span> Poor         </p>
	<p><b>Good bathing water quality</b></p>  <p> <span>★ ★ ★</span> Excellent  <span>★ ★</span> Good  <span>★</span> Sufficient  <span>—</span> Poor         </p>
	<p><b>Sufficient bathing water quality</b></p>  <p> <span>★ ★ ★</span> Excellent  <span>★ ★</span> Good  <span>★</span> Sufficient  <span>—</span> Poor         </p>

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**Poor  
bathing water quality**

★ ★ ★	Excellent
★ ★	Good
★	Sufficient
—	Poor

The image shows a square symbol for bathing water quality. The top half is white with a horizontal line, and the bottom half is light blue with a black silhouette of a swimmer. To the right, the text 'Poor bathing water quality' is displayed. Below this, a legend shows four levels of quality: 'Excellent' (three stars), 'Good' (two stars), 'Sufficient' (one star), and 'Poor' (a horizontal line).

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(1) [OJ L 64, 4.3.2006, p. 37.](#)

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