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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2007 No. 871**

**The Producer Responsibility Obligations  
(Packaging Waste) Regulations 2007**

**PART VII**

**AGENCIES' POWERS & DUTIES**

**Entry and inspection**

**35.**—(1) A person who appears suitable to the appropriate Agency may be authorised in writing by that Agency for the purposes of its functions under these Regulations to exercise the powers of entry and inspection referred to in paragraph (2) below.

(2) The powers of entry and inspection are those set out in section 108(4)(a) to (l) of the 1995 Act (powers of enforcing authorities and persons authorised by them) and for this purpose section 108(4) shall be read as if references to the authorised person were references to a person authorised under paragraph (1) of this regulation and as if—

- (a) the words “(or, in an emergency, at any time and, if need be, by force)” in section 108(4)(a) were omitted;
- (b) the reference in section 108(4)(f) to articles or substances in relation to which samples may be taken were to records and packaging and packaging materials and as if the power in that paragraph to take samples of the air, water or land in, on, or in the vicinity of, the premises were omitted;
- (c) the power set out in section 108(4)(g) were omitted;
- (d) the reference in section 108(4)(h) to any article or substance were to any sample as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (b) above and as if the reference to an offence in section 108(4)(h)(iii) were to an offence under regulation 40;
- (e) the reference to records in section 108(4)(k)(i) were to the records and returns required to be kept and provided to the appropriate Agency under these Regulations; and
- (f) the reference to the power in section 108(1) were to the power conferred by this regulation.

(3) The provisions of section 108(6) and (7) of the 1995 Act shall apply to the powers conferred by paragraphs (1) and (2) above as they apply to the powers conferred by section 108(4) of the 1995 Act, but as if any reference to an authorised person were to a person authorised under paragraph (1) of this regulation, and as if—

- (a) in section 108(6) and (7) the words “Except in an emergency” were omitted; and
- (b) in section 108(6) the words “or to take heavy equipment on to any premises which are to be entered” were omitted.

(4) The provisions of section 108(12) and (13) of the 1995 Act shall apply to the powers conferred by paragraphs (1) and (2) above as they apply to the powers conferred by section 108(4) of the 1995 Act.

(5) The provisions of paragraphs 2 to 6 of Schedule 18 to the 1995 Act (supplemental provisions with respect to powers of entry) shall apply to the powers conferred by this regulation as they apply to the powers conferred by section 108 of the 1995 Act, but as if any reference—

- (a) to a designated person were to a person authorised in writing by the appropriate Agency to exercise on its behalf any power conferred by this regulation;
- (b) to a relevant power were to a power conferred by this regulation, including a power exercisable by virtue of a warrant under the provisions of that Schedule as applied by this paragraph; and
- (c) in paragraph 6(1) to section 108(4)(a) or (b) or (5) of the 1995 Act were to paragraph (1) of this regulation.

(6) In this regulation “warrant” means a warrant under the provisions set out in Schedule 18 to the 1995 Act as applied by paragraph (5) above.