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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2012 No. 637**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, ENGLAND**

**The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>1st March 2012</i>
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The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 61E, 61F, 61G, 61K, 61L, 61M and 71A of, and paragraphs 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12 and 15 of Schedule 4B and paragraphs 3 and 11 of Schedule 4C to, the Town and Country Planning Act 1990<sup>(1)</sup>, and sections 38A, 38B and 122(1) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004<sup>(2)</sup>, and being a designated<sup>(3)</sup> Minister for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(4)</sup> in relation to the environment, makes the following Regulations.

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(1) 1990 c.8. Sections 61E to 61G, 61L and 61M and Schedules 4B and 4C were inserted by section 116 of, and Schedules 9, 10 and 11 to, the Localism Act 2011 (c.20). Section 71A was inserted by section 15 of the Planning and Compensation Act 1991 (c.34). See section 336(1) for definition of “prescribed”.

(2) 2004 c.5. Section 38A was inserted by section 116 of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 9 to, the Localism Act 2011 (c.20).

(3) The Secretary of State is so designated by S.I. 2008/301.

(4) 1972 c.68. Section 2(2) includes power to make certain provisions in relation to the European Economic Area by virtue of section 2(5) of the European Economic Area Act 1993 (c.51).