#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1997 No. 2778 (N.I. 19)

# The Waste and Contaminated Land (Northern Ireland) Order 1997

26th November 1997

# THE WASTE AND CONTAMINATED LAND (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1997

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- Prohibition on unauthorised or harmful deposit, treatment or disposal, etc., of waste
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- 2. Off-specification products.
- 3. Products whose date for appropriate use has expired.
- 4. Materials spilled, lost or having undergone other mishap, including any materials, equipment,
- 5. Materials contaminated or soiled as a result of planned actions (e.g. residues from cleaning operations,
- 6. Unusable parts (e.g. reject batteries, exhausted catalysts,
- 7. Substances which no longer perform satisfactorily (e.g. contaminated acids, contaminated solvents, exhausted tempering salts,
- 8. Residues of industrial processes (e.g. slags, still bottoms,
- 9. Residues from pollution abatement processes (e.g. scrubber sludges, baghouse dusts, spent filters,
- 10. Machining or finishing residues (e.g. lathe turnings, mill scales,
- 11. Residues from raw materials extraction and processing (e.g. mining residues, oil field slops,
- 12. Adulterated materials (e.g. oils contaminated with PCBs,
- 13. Any materials, substances or products whose use has been banned by law.
- 14. Products for which the holder has no further use (e.g. agricultural, household, office, commercial and
- 15. Contaminated materials, substances or products resulting from remedial action with respect to land.

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16. Any materials, substances or products which are not contained in the above categories.

# SCHEDULE 2 — APPEALS AND DECISIONS REFERRED TO THE PLANNING APPEALS COMMISSION

#### PART I — APPEALS UNDER ARTICLE 17, 41 OR 58

1. This paragraph applies to an appeal to the Planning Appeals Commission ("the Commission") under

PART II — APPEALS UNDER ARTICLE 36 OR 65

2. This paragraph applies to an appeal to the Planning Appeals Commission under Article 36(5) or

PART III — DECISIONS REFERRED UNDER ARTICLE 52

4. This paragraph applies where, in accordance with paragraph (1) of Article 52, a district council

# SCHEDULE 3 — THE WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

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- 1. Overall objective
- 2. Application of the waste hierarchy
- 3. To ensure that waste management is carried out without endangering human health, without harming the
- 4. To establish an integrated and adequate network of waste disposal installations and of installations for

Part 2 — Matters which must be included in the waste management strategy

- 5. The waste management strategy must include—
- 6. The waste management strategy must include such matters as the Department considers appropriate, taking into
- 7. The waste management strategy must include policies in relation to packaging waste, separate collection of
- 8. The waste management strategy must include policies in relation to preparing for re-use, recovery and
  - Part 3 Matters which may be included in the waste management strategy
- 9. The Department may include the following in the waste management strategy, taking into account the

# SCHEDULE 4 — SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO POWERS OF ENTRY

— Interpretation

#### Interpretation

1. In this Schedule "relevant power" means a power conferred by Article 72, including a power

#### Issue of warrants

2. If it is shown to the satisfaction of a justice of the peace on complaint

Information obtained to be admissible in evidence

3. Subject to Article 72(9), information obtained in consequence of the exercise of a relevant power,

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#### Duty to secure premises

4. An authorised person who, in the exercise of a relevant power, enters on any premises

### Compensation

- 5. Where an authorised person exercises any power conferred by Article 72(2) (a) or (b) or (3),
  - Schedule 5—Amendments
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