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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Water Framework Directive (Classification,  
Priority Substances and Shellfish Waters)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015**

**Typology and Environmental Standards**

**3.—(1)** The Department, in exercising the functions listed in paragraph (2) must in respect of the rivers, lakes, transitional waters and coastal waters—

- (a) assign a Type or Types in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 1; and
- (b) apply environmental standards and biological boundary values to each river, lake, transitional water and coastal water, or part thereof, according to its assigned Type or Types, in accordance with Part 2 and Part 3 of Schedule 1.

(2) The functions listed in paragraph (1) are—

- (a) analysis and review of the characterisation of each river basin district in accordance with regulation 5(2) of the 2003 Regulations;
- (b) monitoring of the status of the water environment in each river basin district in accordance with regulation 9 of the 2003 Regulations;
- (c) setting of environmental objectives for each body of surface water in each river basin district in accordance with regulation 11(1)(b) of the 2003 Regulations; and
- (d) preparing programmes of measures to achieve those objectives in accordance with regulation 11(1)(b) of the 2003 Regulations.