## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2018 No. 190

## The Environmental Noise (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018

## Amendment of the Environmental Noise Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

- **2.**—(1) The Environmental Noise Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(1) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (7).
  - (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation)—
    - (a) in paragraph (3)—
      - (i) in the definition of "Directive", for the words from "of 25 June 2002" to the end substitute "relating to the assessment and management of environmental noise, as last amended by Commission Directive (EU) 2015/996(2)"; and
      - (ii) for the definition of "the Department" substitute ""the Department" means the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs;"; and
    - (b) after paragraph (3) add—
      - "(4) In these Regulations any reference to Annex I, II, VI or paragraph 7 of Annex IV of the Directive is to be construed as a reference to that Annex or paragraph as amended from time to time."
  - (3) For regulation 4(3) to (5) (strategic noise maps: general requirements) substitute—
    - "(3) The values of  $L_{den}$ ,  $L_{night}$  and the supplementary noise indicators shall be determined by computation (at the assessment position) and by means of the assessment methods set out in Annex II of the Directive.
    - (4) In this Regulation, "assessment position" means the assessment height in paragraph 7 of Annex IV of the Directive."
- (4) In regulations 7 (competent authority) and 26 (competent authority) for "the Department for Regional Development" substitute "the Department for Infrastructure".
- (5) In regulation 53 after the word "Department" insert "or, formerly, the Department of the Environment".
  - (6) Omit Schedule 2 (assessment methods for the noise indicators).
  - (7) In Schedule 3 (supplementary noise indicators)—
    - (a) in paragraph 10 (interpretation), omit the definition of "LA10.18h"; and
    - (b) in paragraph 11 (road traffic noise), omit "(a) L<sub>A10.18h</sub>;".

<sup>(1)</sup> S.R. 2006 No. 387

<sup>(2)</sup> O.J. No. L 168, 1.7.2015, p 1