

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

**2024 No. 122**

**PERIOD PRODUCTS (FREE PROVISION)**

The Period Products (Department for Infrastructure Specified  
Public Service Bodies) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024

*Laid before the Assembly in draft*

Made - - - - 28th May 2024

Coming into operation 29th May 2024

The Department for Infrastructure<sup>(1)</sup> makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 2(1), (7)(a) and (b) and (13) of the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022<sup>(2)</sup> and after consultation in accordance with section 2(8) of that Act.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Period Products (Department for Infrastructure Specified Public Service Bodies) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024 and come into operation on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

**Commencement Information**

II Reg. 1 in operation at 29.5.2024, see [reg. 1](#)

**Interpretation**

2. In these Regulations—

“administrative accommodation” means accommodation leased or owned by a specified public service body for the purpose of effecting its statutory functions;

“NITHC” means the Northern Ireland Transport Holding Company as established under the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967<sup>(3)</sup>;

(1) See [2015 c.5 \(N.I.\)](#) s.1 and Schedule 1

(2) [2022 c.25 \(N.I.\)](#)

(3) [1967 c.37 \(N.I.\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Period Products (Department for Infrastructure Specified Public Service Bodies) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024. (See end of Document for details)

“NIW” means the Northern Ireland Water Group established under the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, and appointed by the Department as a water and sewerage undertaker under the Water and Sewerage Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006(4);

“service users” means persons who are in the premises of a specified public service body to make use of the services to the public provided there by the specified public service body;

“specified public service body” means the bodies listed in the Schedule;

“staff” means employees or agency workers in the premises of a specified public service body;

“the Act” means the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022(5); and

“visitors” means persons with legitimate reason for being in the premises of a specified public service body, such as attending meetings or events or providing a function or service.

#### Commencement Information

**I2** Reg. 2 in operation at 29.5.2024, see [reg. 1](#)

### Specified public service bodies

**3.** The bodies listed in this Schedule are specified as public service bodies to which the duty in section 2(1) of the Act applies.

#### Commencement Information

**I3** Reg. 3 in operation at 29.5.2024, see [reg. 1](#)

### Description of premises and persons

**4.** For the purposes of section 2(3) of this Act—

- (a) the descriptions of premises listed in column 2 of the Table below are to be treated as being premises of the public service body listed in column 1; and
- (b) the description of persons listed in column 3 of the Table below are to be treated as being in the premises of the specified public body listed at column 1.

**Table**

	Column 1 – Specified Public Service Body	Column 2 – Descriptions of Premises	Column 3 – Descriptions of persons in premises
(a) (i)	NITHC	All staffed buildings used for the delivery of services to the public and which are normally open to the public	(i) service users (ii) staff (iii) visitors

(4) S.I. 2006/3336 (N.I. 21)

(5) 2022 c.25 (N.I.)

	Column 1 – Specified Public Service Body	Column 2 – Descriptions of Premises	Column 3 – Descriptions of persons in premises
(a) (ii)	NITHC	NITHC administrative accommodation	(i) staff (ii) visitors
(b) (i)	NIW	All staffed buildings used for the delivery of services to the public and which are normally open to the public	(i) service users (ii) staff (iii) visitors
(b) (ii)	NIW	NIW administrative accommodation	(i) staff (ii) visitors

**Commencement Information**

**I4** Reg. 4 in operation at 29.5.2024, see [reg. 1](#)

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024



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## SCHEDULE

Regulation 3

### Specified Public Service Bodies

#### Commencement Information

**I5** Sch. in operation at 29.5.2024, see [reg. 1](#)

NITHC(6); and

NIW(7)

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations are made under section 2(1) of the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022(8). They specify the public service bodies within the functions of the Department for Infrastructure that are subject to the duty to ensure that period products are obtainable free of charge by persons on the premises who need to use them. They provide, for the purposes of the Act, descriptions of the premises to be treated as premises of a specified public service body and of persons to be treated as in those premises.

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(6) 1967 c.37 (N.I.)

(7) S.I. 2006/3336 (N.I. 2021)

(8) 2022 c.25 (N.I.)

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