

SCHEDULE 8

Regulation 27(2)

Public information in relation to information and alert thresholds for nitrogen dioxide, sulphur dioxide and ozone

1. In cases where either the information threshold or the alert threshold for nitrogen dioxide, sulphur dioxide or ozone are exceeded the details set out in paragraphs 3 to 6 must, as a minimum, be made available to the public.
2. In cases where either the information or alert thresholds are predicted to be exceeded, the information set out in paragraphs 3 to 6 must be provided where practicable.
3. Information on any incident where information or alert thresholds are exceeded—
 - (a) the location or area where thresholds are exceeded;
 - (b) the type of threshold exceeded (information or alert threshold);
 - (c) the time at which the threshold was exceeded and the duration of the incident; and
 - (d) the highest 1-hour and (in the case of ozone) 8-hour mean concentration.
4. Forecast for the following afternoon, day and days—
 - (a) the geographical area in which it is expected that an information or alert threshold will be exceeded; and
 - (b) the expected changes in pollution (that is, improvement, stabilisation or deterioration), together with the reasons for those changes.
5. Information on the type of population concerned, possible health effects and recommended conduct in particular—
 - (a) information on the population groups at risk;
 - (b) description of likely symptoms;
 - (c) recommended precautions to be taken by the population concerned; and
 - (d) where to find further information.
6. Information provided under this Schedule must also include—
 - (a) information on preventive action to reduce pollution or exposure to it;
 - (b) an indication of main source sectors; and
 - (c) recommendations for action to reduce emissions.