EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations specify articles that members of staff in schools can search pupils for without their consent, and make provision for their disposal.

Regulation 3 lists the specified articles that are prohibited items. These are tobacco and cigarette papers and other tobacco based products, fireworks, and pornography.

Regulation 4 makes provision for the disposal of the specified articles.

Cigarettes and fireworks may be kept or disposed of.

Any pornography may be disposed of unless possession constitutes a specified offence. Where this is the case, it must be taken to the police as soon as possible.

No impact assessment has been produced for this instrument because no impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.