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SCHEDULE 3

Regulations 11, 12 and 16

Requirements for spring water and drinking water including prescribed concentrations or values of parameters

Part I

Requirements for spring water and drinking water

- 1. Water satisfies the requirements of this Schedule if-
 - (a) the water does not contain any property, element, organism, or substance-
 - (i) (other than a parameter) at a concentration or value which would be injurious to health;
 - (ii) (whether or not a parameter) at a concentration or value which in conjunction with any other property, element, organism or substance it contains (whether or not a parameter) would be injurious to health;
 - (b) the water does not contain-
 - (i) concentrations or values of any of the parameters listed in Tables A to D in Part II of this Schedule in excess of the prescribed concentrations or values;
 - (ii) concentrations of trihalomethanes (being the aggregate of the concentrations of trichloromethane, dichlorobromomethane, dibromochloromethane and tribromomethane) in excess of $100 \mu g/l$; and
 - (c) in the case of water prepared from water which has been softened or desalinated, its hardness is not below a minimum concentration of 60 mg Ca/l and its alkalinity is not below a minimum concentration of 30 mg HCO₃/l.

2. The concentrations or values of the parameters listed in Tables A to D in Part II of this Schedule shall be read in conjunction with the notes thereto.

Part II

Prescribed concentrations or values

TABLE A

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Parameters	Column 3 Units of Measurement	Column 4 Concentration or Value (maximum unless otherwise stated)
1.	Colour	mg/l Pt/Co scale	20
2.	Turbidity (including suspended solids)	Formazin turbidity units	4
3.	Odour (including hydrogen sulphide)	Dilution number	3 at 25°C
Note			

(i) If silver is used in a water treatment process, 80 may be substituted for 10.

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Parameters	Column 3 Units of Measurement	Column 4 Concentration or Value (maximum unless otherwise stated)
4.	Taste	Dilution number	3 at 25°C
5.	Temperature	°C	25
6.	Sulphate	Mg SO ₄ /l	250
7.	Magnesium	Mg Mg/l	50
8.	Sodium	Mg Na/l	150
9.	Potassium	Mg K/l	12
10.	Dry residues	Mg/l	1500 (after drying at 180°C)
11.	Nitrate	Mg NO ₃ /l	50
12.	Nitrite	Mg NO ₂ /l	0.1
13.	Ammonium (ammonia and ammonium ions)	Mg NH ₄ /l	0.5
14.	Kjeldahl nitrogen	Mg N/l	1
15.	Oxidizability (permanganate value)	Mg O ₂ /l	5
16.	Total organic carbon	Mg C/l	No significant increase over that normally observed
17.	Dissolved or emulsified hydrocarbons (after extraction with petroleum ether); mineral oils	μg/l	10
18.	Phenols	μg C ₆ H ₅ OH/l	0.5
19.	Surfactants	µg/l (as lauryl sulphate)	200
20.	Aluminium	μg A1/l	200
21.	Iron	μg Fe/l	200
22.	Manganese	μg Mn/l	50
23.	Copper	μg Cu/l	3000
24.	Zinc	μg Zn/l	5000
25.	Phosphorus	μg P/l	2200

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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Item	Parameters	Units of Measurement	Concentration or Value (maximum unless otherwise stated)
26.	Fluoride	μg F/l	1500
27.	Silver	µg Ag/l	10 ⁽ⁱ⁾
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TABLE B

Note

(i) If silver is used in a water treatment process, 80 may be substituted for 10.

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Parameters	Column 3 Units of Measurement	Column 4 Maximum Concentration
1.	Arsenic	μg As/l	50
2.	Cadmium	μg Cd/l	5
3.	Cyanide	µg CN/l	50
4.	Chromium	μg Cr/l	50
5.	Mercury	µg Hg/l	1
6.	Nickel	μg Ni/l	50
7.	Selenium	μg Se/l	10
8.	Antimony	µg Sb/l	10
9.	Lead	µg Pb/l	10
10.	Pesticides and related products: (a) individual substances	μg/l	0.1
	(b) (b) total substances ⁽ⁱ⁾	μg/l	0.5
11.	Polycyclic aromatic Hydrocarbons ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	μg/l	0.2

Notes

(i) The sum of the detected concentrations of individual substances.

(ii) The sum of the detected concentrations of fluoranthene, benzo 3.4 fluoranthene, benzo 1.12 fluoranthene, benzo 3.4 pyrene, benzo 1.12 perylene and indeno (1,2,3–cd) pyrene.

TABLE C

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Item	Parameters	Units of	Maximum
		Measurement	Concentration
1.	Total coliforms	number/100 ml	0
2.	Faecal coliforms	number/100 ml	0
3.	Faecal streptococci	number/100 ml	0
4.	Sulphite-reducing clostridia	number/20 ml	$\leq 1^{(i)}$
5.	Colony counts	number/1 ml at 22°C	100 ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾
		number/1 ml at 37°C	20 ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾

Notes

(i) Analysis by multiple tube method.

(ii) The total viable colony count should be measured within 12 hours of bottling with the sample water being kept at a constant temperature during that 12-hour period. Any increase in the total viable colony count of the water between 12 hours after bottling and the time of sale shall not be greater than that normally expected.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Item	Parameters	Units of Measurement	Maximum Concentration or Value
1.	Conductivity	μS/cm	1500 at 20°C
2.	Chloride	mg Cl/l	400
3.	Calcium	mg Ca/l	250
4.	Substances extractable in chloroform	mg/l dry residue	1
5.	Boron	μg B/l	2000
6.	Barium	μg Ba/l	1000
7.	Benzo 3.4 pyrene	ng/l	10
8.	Tetrachloromethane	μg/l	3
9.	Trichloroethene	μg/l	30
10.	Tetrachloroethene	μg/l	10

TABLE D