
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 1759

The European Communities (Designation) Order 2012

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Designation) Order 2012 and comes into force on 7th August 2012.

(2) In this Order—

“designated” means designated for the purposes of section 2(2), and similar expressions are to be construed accordingly;

“prohibited weapons” and “prohibited ammunition” mean respectively weapons and ammunition prohibited under Article 45 of the Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 2004(1) (including, in the case of ammunition, any missiles falling within paragraph (2)(g) of that Article);

“Minister or department” means —

(a) a Minister of the Crown or government department, including a Northern Ireland department, or

(b) the Welsh Ministers;

“section 2(2)” means section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972;

“subordinate legislation” means orders, rules, regulations or schemes made under section 2(2).

Designation in relation to financial assistance for industry

2. The Secretary of State is designated in relation to financial assistance for industry.

Designation in relation to administrative co-operation

3. The Treasury are designated in relation to administrative cooperation in the field of taxation.

Designation in relation to financial services

4. The Treasury are designated in relation to financial services.

Designation in relation to firearms and ammunition

5. Any Northern Ireland department is designated in relation to firearms and ammunition except in relation to prohibited weapons and prohibited ammunition.

Territorial restrictions

6. Article 5 only designates a Northern Ireland department to make subordinate legislation that forms part of the law of Northern Ireland, subject to Article 7.

Relationship with other designations

- 7.—(1) This Order does not restrict the scope of any designation made by any other Order.
- (2) Where—
- (a) a Minister or department is designated by this Order, and
 - (b) any other Minister or department is designated in relation to the same matter by any other Order,
- any of them may make subordinate legislation in relation to that matter jointly.

Revocation of existing designations

8. The Orders specified in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order are revoked in so far as they relate to the designations listed in column (3) of that Schedule.

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