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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 1312**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, ENGLAND**

**The Environmental Protection  
(Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017**

*Made - - - - 19th December 2017*

*Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1*

The Secretary of State—

- (a) has published a notice in the London Gazette as required by section 140(6)(b) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990(1) (“the 1990 Act”) and has considered the representations made in accordance with that notice;
- (b) has consulted in accordance with section 60 of the Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008(2) (“the 2008 Act”) and is satisfied (in accordance with section 66 of that Act) that local authorities (who are the regulator for the purpose of these Regulations) will act in accordance with the principles referred to in section 5(2) of that Act in exercising a power conferred by these Regulations;
- (c) considers it appropriate to make these Regulations for the purpose of preventing the substance or articles specified in them from causing pollution of the environment and harm to the health of animals.

In accordance with section 62(3) of the 2008 Act, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament.

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 140(1) (b) and (c), (3)(c) and (d), and (9) of the 1990 Act(3) and sections 36, 42, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52 to 55 and 62(2) of the 2008 Act(4).

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(1) 1990 c. 43.

(2) 2008 c. 13. For the purposes of these Regulations, “the regulator” has the meaning given by regulation 2, rather than the meaning given by section 37 of the 2008 Act.

(3) 1990 c. 43. Section 140(3)(c) was amended by [S.I. 1999/1108](#).

(4) 2008 c. 13. Section 36(2) was amended by the Enterprise Act 2016, section 21(1), (2)(f); section 42(6) was amended by [S.I. 2015/664](#); section 49(1) was amended by [S.I. 2015/664](#).