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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 1312**

The Environmental Protection  
(Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017

PART 1

Introduction

**Citation, commencement, extent and application**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017.

(2) Except as provided in paragraphs (3) and (4), these Regulations come into force 21 days after the day on which they are made.

(3) Paragraph (2) of regulation 3 and, so far as it relates to that paragraph, paragraph (3) of that regulation, and regulation 4, come into force 6 months after the day on which these Regulations are made.

(4) In relation to an offence under regulation 3(2), regulations 6 to 8 come into force 6 months after the day on which these Regulations are made.

(5) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, but apply in relation to England only.