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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2019 No. 279**

**The Environmental Impact Assessment (Amendment)  
(Northern Ireland) (EU Exit) (No. 2) Regulations 2019**

**Amendments to the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006**

**3.—**(1) The Environmental Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006<sup>(1)</sup> are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 2(1)—

(a) at the appropriate place insert—

““the Habitats Regulations” means the Conservation (Natural Habitats, etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland 1995;”;

““Natura 2000” means Natura 2000 as defined in regulation 2(2) of the Habitat Regulations;”;

(b) in the definition of “Union Legislation”, for “an EU obligation” substitute “retained EU law”.

(3) In regulation 12(1)(g), for “another” substitute “an”.

(4) In regulation 15, in the heading and in paragraphs (1) and (7), for “another”, in each place it occurs, substitute “an”.

(5) In regulation 30(2)(f), for “another” substitute “an”.

(6) In regulation 35—

(a) in the heading and in paragraph (1), for “another”, in each place it occurs, substitute “an”;

(b) in paragraph (4)—

(i) in the words before sub-paragraph (a) omit “in accordance with Article 7.4 of the Directive”;

(ii) in sub-paragraph (b) omit “other”.

(7) In Schedule 1, in Part 1—

(a) in paragraph 6, for “established at Union or Member State level” substitute “in retained EU law or under other national legislation”;

(b) in paragraph 9, for the second sentence substitute—

“Relevant information available and obtained through risk assessments pursuant to retained EU law or UK environmental assessments may be used for this purpose provided that the requirements of any law that implements the Directive are met.”.

(8) In Schedule 2, in paragraph 1(g), for “Conservation (Natural Habitats etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland 1995” substitute “Habitats Regulations.”

(9) In Schedule 3, in paragraph 2(c)(v), omit the words from “designated” to the end.

(10) In Schedule 4, in sub-paragraph (b), for the words after “attention to” to the end substitute—

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- (i) species of naturally occurring birds in the wild state as specified in [Directive 2009/147/EC](#) on the conservation of wild birds;
- (ii) natural habitat types in Annex 1 to Directive 92/43;
- (iii) animal and plant species in Annex 2 or 4 to Directive 92/43.”