

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prohibit a person from burning any specified vegetation on areas of peat over 40 centimetres deep in a site of special scientific interest that is also a European site, unless an exception applies, or the burning is carried out under, and in accordance with, a licence issued by the Secretary of State. A burning notice may be issued under regulation 6 if Natural England believes that specified vegetation is being burned in contravention of these Regulations. Regulation 7 makes provision for a right to make representations to a person appointed by the Secretary of State if Natural England serves a burning notice on any person.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.