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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 760 (W. 151)**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, WALES**

**The Environmental Protection  
(Microbeads) (Wales) Regulations 2018**

*Made* - - - - - *19 June 2018*  
*Coming into force* - - - - - *30 June 2018*

The Welsh Ministers—

- (a) have published a notice in the London Gazette and the Western Mail as required by section 140(6)(b) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990(1) (“the 1990 Act”) and have considered the representations made in accordance with that notice;
- (b) have consulted in accordance with sections 59 and 60 of the Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008(2) (“the 2008 Act”) and are 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) consider 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, the National Assembly for Wales.

The Welsh Ministers make 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) Section 140(3)(c) was amended by S.I. 1999/1108. By virtue of S.I. 1999/672, article 2 and Schedule 1, and section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006, subject to certain exceptions, the powers under section 140 are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

(4) 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.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (Wales) Regulations 2018, Introductory Text.