

Guidance: Guidance on the scope of and exemptions from the radioactive substances legislation in the UK

Updated: Guidance updated to align with revisions to the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 and the Radioactive Substances Act 1993 which implement relevant aspects of European Council Directive 2013/59/Euratom.

The legislative means by which radioactive substances are regulated in the United Kingdom differ according to devolved administration; however, the effects of the legislation are consistent.

This guidance, aimed at environmental regulators and users, sets out:

- the rationale underpinning the exemptions regime for England, Wales and Northern Ireland
- how government intends the regime to be interpreted and implemented
- the means by which the objectives of the exemptions regime should be delivered.

This guidance does not apply to Scotland.

Further information

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