STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2025 No. 81

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Quality of Bathing Water (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2025

Made - - - -	*7th May 2025*
Coming into operation -	*31st May 2025*

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 14(2) of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 ("2023 Act")(**a**).

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs is a relevant national authority for the purposes of section 14(2) of the 2023 Act(**b**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Quality of Bathing Water (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2025 and shall come into operation on 31st May 2025.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**c**) applies to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendments to the Quality of Bathing Water Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008, as amended 2018

3. For Schedule 1 substitute—

"SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 3

BATHING WATERS

1) Ballycastle
2) Ballygally
3) Ballyholme

(**a**) 2023 c.28.
(**b**) The term "relevant national authority" is defined in section 21(1) of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023
(**c**) 1954 c.33 (N.I.)

4) Ballyhornan
5) Ballywalter
6) Benone (Magilligan)
7) Brown's Bay
8) Brompton Bay, Bangor
9) Carnlough
10) Castlerock
11) Cloughey
12) Cranfield (Cranfield Bay)
13) Crawfordsburn
14) Cushendall
15) Donaghadee
16) Downhill
17) Drain's Bay
18) Groomsport
19) Helen's Bay
20) Kilclief
21) Millisle
22) Murlough Bay, Co. Down
23) Newcastle
24) Portballintrae (Salmon Rock)
25) Portmuck
26) Portrush (Curran Strand)
27) Portrush (Mill Strand)
28) Portstewart
29) Rea's Wood, Antrim
30) Tyrella
31) Warrenpoint, Sandy Bottom
32) Waterfoot
33) Whiterocks"

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on 7th May 2025.



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations replace Schedule 1 of the Quality of Bathing Water Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008, to add Brompton Bay, Cushendall, Drain's Bay, Donaghadee, Portmuck, Rea's Wood (Inland) and Warrenpoint to the list of identified bathing waters in Regulations.

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