

**THE POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (INDUSTRIAL EMISSIONS) REGULATIONS  
(NORTHERN IRELAND) 2013**

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by regulation 7(7) of the Pollution Prevention and Control (Industrial Emissions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013 (a), makes the following direction.

**Interpretation**

1. In this Direction:

“the Chief Inspector” means the Department;

“the Department” means the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs;

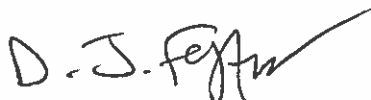
“mobile plant” has the meaning given in regulation 2(1) of the PPC(IE) Regulations, and further defined in the definitions of “Part A mobile plant”, “Part B mobile plant” and “Part C mobile plant” in regulation 2(1) of the PPC(IE) Regulations;

“PPC (IE) Regulations” means the Pollution Prevention and Control (Industrial Emissions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013.

**Details of direction**

2. The Department directs that the functions currently exercisable by District Councils relative to activities carried out in accordance with the provisions of the PPC (IE) Regulations which are set out in paragraphs (i) and (ii) to the Schedule to this direction shall be exercised by the Chief Inspector while this direction remains in force.
3. Paragraph 2 applies where the activities are carried out by an operator of a mobile plant where the operator intends to operate that plant also to carry out the activities described at paragraph (iii) of the Schedule.
4. This Direction comes into operation on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Signed by the authority of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019.



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## Schedule

*(provisions of PPC(IE) Regulations referred to in 2 and 3 of this Direction)*

(i) Schedule 1, Part 1, Chapter 3, Section 3.5 Part C, paragraph (b) - the crushing, grinding or other size reduction, with machinery designed for that purpose, of bricks, tiles or concrete;

(ii) Schedule 1, Part 1, Chapter 3, Section 3.5 Part C, paragraph (c) - screening the product of any crushing, grinding or other size reduction, with machinery designed for that purpose of bricks, tiles or concrete;

(iii) Schedule 1, Part 1, Chapter 3, Section 3.5 Part B, paragraph (a) - unless falling within Part A of any section in that Schedule, the crushing, grinding or other size reduction, other than the cutting of stone, or the grading, screening or heating of any designated mineral or mineral product except where the operation of the activity is unlikely to result in the release into air of particulate matter.

### **Explanatory Note:**

If operators of mobile plant wish to crush designated minerals/mineral products and construction/demolition materials as part of their business, they can apply to the Chief Inspector for a permit to cover the part B and part C activities.

This then allows them to operate at quarries and construction/demolition sites to crush the materials as specified above. As the regulations stand the operator of a mobile crushing plant is required to hold 2 permits, one from the Chief Inspector to crush rock/minerals and one from a District council to crush construction/demolition material.

The purpose of this direction is to allow for the businesses to apply for just one permit to cover both Part B and Part C activities and be regulated by one enforcing authority. An operator only carrying out a Part C still requires a permit from the Council.