

CONSULTATION ON THE PYROTECHNIC ARTICLES (SAFETY) REGULATIONS 2009

The consultation document attached sets out the approach proposed by the Department of Business, Innovation and Skills for the transposition into legislation of the European Directive on the placing on the market of pyrotechnic articles.

It is proposed that the Regulations will extend to Northern Ireland.

There will need to be amendments to the draft Regulation to reflect different arrangements in Northern Ireland. For example, the exceptions in the Pyrotechnic Articles (Safety) Regulations 2009 would need to refer to the Police Service of Northern Ireland, persons employed by the Northern Ireland Policing Board who are under the direction and control of the Chief Constable of the PSNI and the Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Board.

There will be consultation with district councils and the Health and Safety Executive of Northern Ireland as to how the Regulations would be enforced.

There will be some consequential amendments to the Explosive (Fireworks) Regulations 2002 in so far they refer to the British Standard, labelling etc.