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European Directives

- Directive 2011/92/EU on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014;
- Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy;
- Directive 2006/118/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 on the protection of groundwater against pollution and deterioration;
- Directive 2007/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2007 on the assessment and management of flood risks; and
- Directive 2006/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 on the management of waste from extractive industries.

Irish Government Acts, National Legislation and Regulations

- S.I. No. 349 of 1989, European Communities (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations, and subsequent amendments (S.I. No. 84 of 1994, S.I. No. 352 of 1998, S.I. No. 93 of 1999, S.I. No. 450 of 2000 and S.I. No. 538 of 2001);
- The Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2009, The Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010, S.I. 600 of 2001 Planning and Development Regulations and subsequent amendments including, S.I. No. 364 of 2005 and S.I. 685 of 2006.

National legislation on the protection of the water environment. Since 2000 water management in EU member states has primarily been directed by the Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC) and the associate 'daughter' Groundwater Directive (2006/118/EC). Irish legislation implementing these, and other relevant directives currently includes:

- S.I. No. 9 of 2010 European Communities Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) Regulations 2010 and amendments (S.I. No. 389 of 2011 and S.I. No. 149 of 2012);
- European Union (Drinking Water) Regulations 2014 (S.I. No. 122 of 2014);
- S.I. No. 278 of 2007 European Communities (Drinking Water) (No. 2) Regulations;
- S.I. No. 272 of 2009 European Communities Environmental Objectives (Surface Waters) Regulations 2009 and amendment (S.I. No. 327 of 2012);
- S.I. No. 684 of 2007 Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007, as amended (S.I. No. 231 of 2010);
- S.I. No. 122 of 2010 European Communities (Assessment and Management of Flood Risks) Regulations 2010;
- S.I. No. 457 of 2008 European Communities (Environmental Liability) Regulations which bring into force the European Liability Directive (2004/35/EC);
- European Union (Planning and Development) (Environmental Impact Assessment) (No. 2) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 404 of 2018);
- Local Government (Water Pollution) Acts 1977 to 1998;
- European Communities (Quality of Salmonid Waters) Regulations, 1988 (S.I. No. 293 of 1988);
- European Communities (Quality of Shellfish Waters) Regulations, 2006 (S.I. No. 268 of 2006) and amendments (S.I No. 55 and 464 of 2009), and;
- Bathing Water Quality Regulations, 2008 (S.I. No. 79 of 2008) and amendments (S.I No. 351 of 2011 and S.I. No. 163 of 2016);

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- CIRIA (2001). Control of water pollution from linear construction projects (C648)
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 - o 090330 Hydro SOP Number 1102 0 V1 0 Surface Water Sampling;
 - o 201015 Hydro SOP 1101 V3 Groundwater Sampling;