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Implementation Plan for the Retail Theme

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1. Introduction

The Prime Minister announced in April 2011 that he wanted his Government to be the first in modern history to leave office having reduced the overall burden of regulation. To help deliver this he launched the Red Tape Challenge, a systematic review of some 6,500 substantive regulations that the Government inherited, with the aim of scrapping or significantly reducing as many of them as possible. The Red Tape Challenge gives businesses and civil society the opportunity to have their say on the regulations, grouped by theme, that affect their everyday lives.

Retail was the first theme to go live on the Red Tape Challenge website in April 2011. The theme was open for public comment between 7 April and 10 May 2011 and we received almost 9,000 comments across eight subcategories:

- 1. Consumer Information
- 2. Restricted Goods
- 3. Weights and Measures
- 4. Hallmarking
- 5. Vehicles Parts and Fuel
- 6. Trading with the Enemy
- 7. Trading Requirements
- 8. Sunday Trading.

Following consideration of the comments we received, and challenge from Ministers to ensure we were being sufficiently ambitious, we announced the Retail package on the 28 July 2011.

A total of 257 regulations were considered as part of the theme. From the full list of regulations we proposed to:

- Scrap 114 (44%)
- Improve 41 (16%)
- Keep 102 (40%)

Therefore, we committed under the original package to scrap or improve 60% (155) of the regulations under consideration.

2. The Retail Package

Since the theme was announced several changes have been made to the list of regulations above. The list of 102 regulations to keep included regulations which were unresolved and those that were transferred from the Retail theme to other Red Tape Challenge themes. At the time of the announcement many of the proposals were subject to further consultation. Policy leads have taken the opportunity to add other regulations to the Retail theme which were not included in the original package.

The current package consists of 260 regulations and can be summarised as:

• Scrap 119

We have identified 119 measures which are no longer necessary and can be removed from the statute book. This is mainly because they are redundant and are duplicated by more recent and up to date legislation.

• Improve 46

We plan on improving 46 regulations to reduce the burden on business by reducing the number of regulations through simplification and through using alternatives to regulations such as voluntary codes.

• Keep 73

These regulations have been identified as being necessary to safeguard consumers and business. Some of these relate to EU measures therefore the decision to keep them is beyond the control of the UK.

• Transfer 12

After analysis we found that eight regulations were more appropriate for the Road Transport theme so they were transferred to the Department for Transport. Additionally four regulations have been moved to the Department for Health in their Healthy Living and Social Care theme.

• Unresolved 10

The Star Chamber did not reach a decision on these regulations, so we cannot commence implementation on these until the regulations have been classified as a scrap or otherwise.

We aim to scrap and improve 165 regulations and have been proactive about reducing the burdens on business and tidying up the statute book. We have also identified an additional ten regulations to scrap and improve compared to the original retail package which was committed to scraping and improving 155 regulations.

In line with the Prime Minister's ambition, we now intend to scrap and improve over 60% of the regulations under the retail theme.

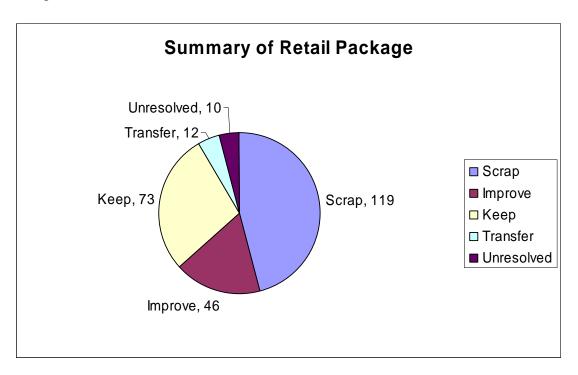


Chart 1 below shows a summary of how the regulations fall within each of the categories.

3. Progress to date

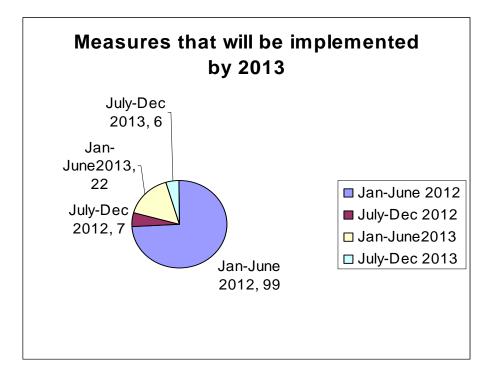
The Department has made significant progress, having already implemented 106 of the regulations (64%) we announced to scrap or improve. These include:

- 98 Trading with the Enemy Regulations (TWTE) have already been revoked. Business Innovation & Skills (BIS) revoked 84 TWTE Regulations on the 15th December 2011 and HM Treasury revoked 14 TWTE Regulations on the 25th May 2012
- The Competition Commission revoked the Domestic Electrical Goods Order on the 1st February 2012
- Seven product safety regulations were revoked on the 1st October 2012. These Regulations are redundant and are now covered by the General Product Safety Regulations 2005 and the Competition Act 1998. These concern Bunk Beds, Hood Cords, Imitation Dummies, Bed Pricing, Wheeled Child Conveyances, Child Resistant Packaging and Cooking Utensils.

4. Measures which will be implemented by the end of 2013

The Department will have implemented the majority of measures that we intend to scrap or improve by the end of 2013, with only 31 measures of the 165 outstanding.

The chart below sets out the timeline of when measures will be implemented.



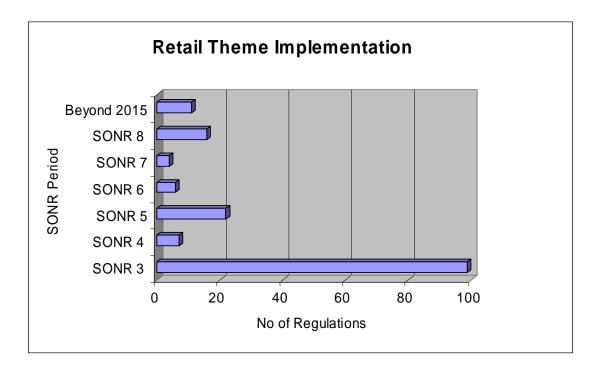
5. Statement of New Regulation (SONR) Implementation Timescales

The Statement of New Regulation is published every 6 months to give businesses an indication of when regulations affecting them will be coming into effect. The table below shows which SONR we expect the regulations to be implemented in. These have been grouped into the relevant sub-category.

Vehicle	No	Details
SONR 3 (Jan-June 2012)	99	98 Trading With The Enemy, 1 Consumer Information
SONR 4 (July-Dec 2012)	7	7 Consumer Information
SONR 5 (Jan-June 2013)	22	2 Consumer Information,1 Hallmarking & 19 Restricted Goods*
SONR 6 (July-Dec 2013)	6	3 Consumer Information, 3 Trading Requirements
SONR 7 (Jan-June 2014)	4	3 Consumer Information, 1 Trading Requirements
SONR 8 (July-Dec 2014)	16	13 Consumer Information, 2 Vehicle Parts and Fuel &1 Weights & Measures
Beyond 2015	11	10 Weights and Measures, 1 Vehicles Parts and Fuel
Total	165	

* Please note that implementation of the 2 regulations under restricted goods relating to poisons in SONR5 only refers to the guidance document for retailers and not changes to the legislation.

The chart below shows sets out implementation of measures by statement of new regulation.



Many of the measures that are being implemented beyond 2013 cannot be carried out at an earlier stage due to a range of reasons such as: a) we are awaiting the related EU negotiations to take place before we can proceed with implementation; or b) we require the use of primary legislation and the bill process can be complex and lengthy.

It should also be noted that the implementation plans for these later measures may be subject to some change. This is because the measures are, in many cases, dependant on processes that are outside of our control (whether at a domestic or EU level).

(For a detailed breakdown of implementation by regulation please see Annex A).

6. Comments received from business

Through the Red Tape Challenge we have received helpful comments from stakeholders and a selection of them can be found below

Poisons

Quote from a Retailer 1'm sure we should have a license, but we let it lapse and no-one has reminded us about it, so I don't think enforcement is very consistent. It's a farce really. The rules about information provided by manufacturers with the product and on the packaging have made it irrelevant anyway'

TV Licensing

Businesses will benefit because their staff will no longer have to spend time dealing with TV Licensing inspectors; or being trained to record details of TV sales, or spend time requesting information from customers – which may include managing any customer resistance to the request for personal data. Removing the burden will lead to a welcome reduction in costs for businesses [c.£1.8m pa for retailers overall]. The British Retail Consortium has described the repeal as an enormous help.

Age Restricted Sales

Association of Convenience Stores (ACS) 'Age restricted sales pose many challenges for retailers, enforcement authorities and communities, and this clear guidance advocating an evidence based and inclusive assessment of local needs is a significant step towards addressing some of these challenges'.

British Retail Consortium (BRC) 'The BRC has strongly supported the development of a comprehensive Code of Practice on Regulatory Delivery in the field of Age Restricted Products and Services – a Code that could and would be supported by all those involved in the area. We are glad to have been able to join with other stakeholders in its preparation'.

Consumer Law

The consumer law reform programme aims to streamline and modernise rights currently found in 12 pieces of legislation and the investigatory powers of Trading Standards officers currently found scattered in around 60 pieces of legislation. The reform programme will overhaul the current complex regime and set out a simpler framework in plain English. This new framework will provide certainty where there is currently lack of clarity, remove overlaps and unnecessary rules, and update the law where this is required. **Quote from the Red Tape Challenge Website-** 'From the point of view of small businesses the problem is the sheer volume and complexity of all this 'protection of the consumer'. Frankly it is impossible for the small business owner to even read all this stuff, let alone understand and apply it. This means every small business owner is constantly exposed to action being taken against him for contravening some regulation he never knew existed. This is ridiculous and unfair'

Hallmarking

We are taking forward the Legislative Reform Order at the express request of the UK hallmarking community. The UK Assay Offices have asked for a change to the law to allow them to compete with those European counterparts whose hallmarking law permits them to set up hallmarking operations overseas. The view of the Assay Offices is that a change in the law would place them on level terms with their competitors but, just as importantly, failure to change the law would perpetuate, and make worse, their competitive disadvantage in relation to their competitors. It is estimated that, if the Assay Offices take advantage of this opportunity, they could benefit by £1 million per year.

Product Safety

British Retail Consortium 'We support the reduction in the age for the sale of Christmas crackers to 12. Our customers cannot understand why the sale of these products should be age restricted and any reduction in the age limit is welcome. The General Product Safety Directive as transposed into UK law is designed to ensure that only safe products are placed on the market, Cost savings result from retailers being able to utilise their own approaches to guaranteeing only safe products reach the market rather than trying to fit into a straitjacket imposed by regulation – often a different approach for each product'.

Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents 'RoSPA also supports the move to reduce red tape and unnecessary legislative burdens and we do feel that this exercise will assist in this process'

7. Next Steps

We will continue to update stakeholders on changes to regulations which affect them through the publication of the Statement of New Regulation which is published twice a year. The latest publication can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/bis-fifth-statement-of-new-regulations-covering-january-to-june-2013

To provide a further update to stakeholders on the Retail Theme we will publish the next Retail Report at the beginning of 2014.

Annex A- Retail Theme Implementation Plan Summary

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
•			Domestic	N/A
Implemented	To remove out of date	Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Austria) Order 1947		
1	Trading with the Enemy	Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Belgium and		
	legislation which came	Luxembourg) Order 1945		
	into effect when the United	Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Czechoslovakia)		
	Kingdom entered a state	Order 1945		
	of war in September 1939	Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Denmark) Order		
		1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (France and		
		Monaco) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (French Indo-China)		
		Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Germany) Order		
		1949		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Germany) Order		
		1952		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Greece) Order		
		1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Japan) Order 1950		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Netherlands East		
		Indies) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Netherlands) Order		
		1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Poland) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) (Yugoslavia) Order		
		1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) Order 1943		

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) Order 1944		
		Trading with the Enemy (Authorisation) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Channel Islands) Order in Council 1940		
		Trading with the Enemy (China Custodian) Order in Council 1944		
		Trading with the Enemy (Corsica) Order 1943		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) (Czechoslovakia) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) (French Indo-China) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) (Insurance) No 2 Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment)		
		(Netherlands East Indies) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) (No 2)		
		Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) (Poland) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) Order 1940		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) Order		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) Order		
		1944 Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Amendment) Order		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 2) Order 1942		

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 2) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 2) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 2) Order 1951		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 3) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 3) Order 1951		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 4) Order 1951		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (No 5) Order 1951		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) (Specified Persons)		
		Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Amendment (No 2)		
		Order 1940		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Order 1939		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Order 1949		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Order 1950		
		Trading with the Enemy (Custodian) Order 1951		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Albania) Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation) (Baltic		
		States and Ceded Territory) Order 1975		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Belgium) Order 1952		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation) (British		
		Territories) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Bulgaria) Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Channel Islands) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
•		(China) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Denmark) Order 1952		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Dodecanese Islands) Order 1947		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Finland) Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(France) Order 1953		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Greece) Order 1954		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Guam) Order 1975		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Hungary) Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Indonesia) Order 1952		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation) (Italy)		
		Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Luxembourg) Order 1952		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Netherlands) Order 1953		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Norway) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Philippine Islands) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Portuguese Timor) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
		(Roumania) Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation) (Siam)		
		Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation)		
		(Trieste) Order 1948		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory Cessation) (Union		
		of Soviet Socialist Republics) Order 1946		
		Trading with the Enemy (Enemy Territory) (Cessation)		
		Order 1943		
		Trading with the Enemy (Foreign Currency Accounts) Order		
		1944		
		Trading with the Enemy (Insolvency) Order 1940		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Austria) Order 1947		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Belgium and Luxembourg) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Czechoslovakia) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Denmark) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Finland) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (France and Monaco) Order 1945		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (General) Order 1947		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Germany) Order 1949		
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable		
		Instruments, etc) (Germany) Order 1952		

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
		Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Greece) Order 1945 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Hungary) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Italy) Order 1945 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Japan) Order 1950 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Japan) Order 1945 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Netherlands) Order 1945 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (No 2) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Poland) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Roumania) Order 1947 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Siam) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Siam) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) (Yugoslavia) Order 1945 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Transfer of Negotiable Instruments, etc) Order 1946 Trading with the Enemy (Isle of Man) Order in Council 1940 Trading with the Enemy (Isle of Man) Order in Council 1940		
IMPLEMENTED	To remove the1998 measure as it is now	Restriction on Agreements and Conduct (Specified Domestic Electrical Goods) Order 1998	Domestic	N/A

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
	obsolete			
IMPLEMENTED	To remove these regulations as they are now obsolete and have been updated by more recent standards and legislation.	Bunk Beds (Entrapment Hazards) (Safety) Regulations 1987, Children's Clothing (Hood Cords) Regulations 1976, Imitation Dummies (Safety) Regulations 1993, Wheeled Child Conveyances (Safety) Regulations 1997, Indication of Prices (Beds) Order 1978, Cooking Utensils (Safety) Regulations 1972, Child Resistant Packaging and Tactile Danger Warning (Safety) (Revocation) Regulations 1992	Domestic	23/03/12- 23/05/12
Early 2013	To introduce a voluntary code of practice that has been developed alongside business, local authority and enforcement stakeholders for age restricted products.	Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003, Children and Young Persons (Harmful Publications) Act 1955, Children and Young Persons (Protection from Tobacco) Act 1991, Children and Young Persons Act 1933, Cigarette Lighter Refill (Safety) Regulations 1999, Firearms Act 1968, Crossbows Act 1987, Criminal Justice Act 1988, Intoxicating Substances (Supply) Act 1985, Licensing Act 2003, Offensive Weapons Act 1996, Manufacture and Storage of Explosives Regulations 2005, Video Recordings Act 1984 (Age Restrictions on Sales of Films and Video Games), Video Recordings Act 2010 (Age Restrictions on Sales of Films and Video Games), Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (Under Age Sales - Air Weapons and Imitation Firearms), Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (Under Age Sales - Crossbow)	Domestic	09/07/12- 28/09/12

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
Early 2013	To produce a guidance document clarifying the current poisons licensing system.	Poisons List (Amendment) Order 1992 & Poisons Rules 1982.	Domestic	N/A
SONR5 (January- June 2013)	To bring into force the repeal of the Restrictive Practices Court Act 1976	Restrictive Practices Court Act 1976	Domestic	N/A
SONR5 (January- June 2013)	To lower the age at which Christmas crackers can be sold from 16-12 years of age and to remove the Pencils and Graphic Instruments Regulations as they are now obsolete	Pyrotechnic Articles (Safety) Regulations 2010 & Pencils and Graphic Instruments (Safety) Regulations 1998.	EU and Domestic	23/03/12- 23/05/12
SONR5 (January- June 2013)	To simplify the Hallmarking Act to enable UK Assay Offices to better compete with overseas competitors by allowing them, for the first time, to conduct hallmarking operations in offshore locations.	Hallmarking Act 1973	Domestic	09/01/12- 02/04/12
SONR6 (July- December 2013)	To remove the need for retailers to notify TV Licensing of all sales of	Communications Television Licensing Regulations 2004 & Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967	Domestic	N/A

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
The Dogs policy is currently being looked at and we expect an announcement in early 2013.	their televisions Possibility of removing the regulations but this is dependent on the announcement in early 2013.	Sale of Dogs (Identification Tag) Regulations 1999	Domestic	23/04/12- 15/06/12
SONR6 (July- December 2013)	To make it easier for service businesses to set up and sell their services anywhere in the UK by repealing the Pedlars Acts and making amendments to the Local Government Act 1982 to ensure compliance with the requirements of the European Services Directive.	Schedule 4 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 - Street Trading, Pedlars Acts 1871 & 1881 and Pedlars' Certificates (Variation of Fee) Order 1985	Domestic	23/11/12- 15/02/13
SONR7 (January- June 2014) We expect that legislation will be on the statute books by December 2013.	To transpose provisions of a new Consumer Rights Directive in June 2014.	Consumer Protection (Distance Selling) Regulations 2000, Consumer Protection (Distance Selling) Amendment Regulations 2005 & Cancellation of Contracts Made in a Consumer's Home or Place of Work, etc. Regulations 2008	EU	10/08/12- 01/11/12
SONR7 (January- June 2014)	To remove/ simplify procedures under which a highway authority can	Control of Road-Side Sales Orders (Procedure) Regulations 1978	Domestic	Mid 2013

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
	make a control order restricting sales of goods on highways			
SONR8 (July- December 2014)	Simplify overlapping and costly consumer legislation and empower consumers to enforce their rights for themselves whilst reducing the business costs of complying with unclear and fragmented legislation	Sale and Supply of Goods to Consumers Regulations 2002, Sale of Goods Act 1979, Unfair Terms in Consumer Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2001, Unfair Terms in Consumer Contracts Regulations 1999, Misrepresentation Act 1967, Sale and Supply of Goods Act 1994, Supply of Goods (Implied Terms) Act 1973, Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982 & Unfair Contract Terms Act 1977.	EU and Domestic	Consumer Law Enforcement powers 28/03/12- 20/06/12 Goods, Services and Digital Content 13/07/12- 05/10/12
SONR8 (July- December 2014)	To simplify rules associated with owning a personalised registration alongside development of an online system to allow for electronic notifications.	Sale of Registration Marks (Amendment) Regulations 2008 & Sale of Registration Marks Regulations 1995	Domestic	01/10/12- 12/11/12
SONR8 (July- December 2014)	To remove the regulations that require pre-packaged knitting yarn to be sold only by weight and non	Weights and Measures (Knitting Yarns) Order 1988	EU	N/A

Target date of implementation	Proposal	Title of relevant SI or Act	Origin	Consultation due date
	pre-packaged knitting yarn to be sold only in prescribed quantities.			
This is dependent on EU negotiations. Implementation is expected between 2015-2016	Consolidate the ten regulations on measuring instruments into two regulations.	Measuring Instruments (Amendment) Regulations 2006, Measuring Instruments (Amendment) Regulations 2010, Measuring Instruments (Automatic Catchweighers) Regulations 2006, Measuring Instruments (Capacity Serving Measures) Regulations 2006, Measuring Instruments (Cold- water Meters) Regulations 2006, Measuring Instruments (EC Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2008, Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements)Regulations 1988, Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) Regulations 2006, Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel delivered from Road Tankers) Regulations 2006, Measuring Instruments (Material Measures of Length) Regulations 2006.	EU	Consultation expected in 2014
SONR8 (July- December 2014)	To simplify and clarify the regulations, thereby saving costs to industry, fire services, enforcement authorities and consumers; also to reduce the testing burden, e.g. by excluding fabrics that have always passed the relevant flammability tests.	Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988, Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 1989, Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 & Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2010	Domestic	N/A

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