

Environment policy: alignment of reporting obligations

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PURPOSE: to simplify reporting obligations in environmental legislation.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Regulation (EU) 2019/1010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the alignment of reporting obligations in the field of legislation related to the environment, and amending Regulations (EC) No 166/2006 and (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Directives 2002/49/EC, 2004/35/EC, 2007/2/EC, 2009/147/EC and 2010/63/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Regulations (EC) No 338/97 and (EC) No 2173/2005, and Council Directive 86/278/EEC.

CONTENT: in order to meet the need for information on implementation and compliance, this Regulation aims to align and streamline the reporting requirements in environmental legislation by updating specific provisions in 10 sectoral directives and regulations.

This Regulation seeks to modernise information management and ensure a more consistent approach to the legislative acts within its scope by simplifying reporting so as to reduce the administrative burden, enhancing the database for future evaluations and increasing transparency for the benefit of the public, each time in accordance with the circumstances.

The amendments concern 10 legislative acts in the field of the environment:

- Directive 86/278/EEC on the implementation of the directive;
- Directive 2002/49/EC on the environment;
- Directive 2007/2/EC establishes an Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community (INSPIRE);
- Directive 2009/147/EC concerns the conservation of wild birds;
- Regulation (EC) No 166/2006 concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register;
- Directive 2010/63/EU on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes;
- Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 on timber;
- Regulation (EC) No 2173/2005 on the establishment of a FLEGT licensing scheme for imports of timber into the European Community;
- Regulation (EC) No 338/97 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora (CITES);
- Directive 2004/35/EC on environmental liability.

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