
**DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
THE FLUORINATED GREENHOUSE GASES REGULATIONS
(NORTHERN IRELAND) 2015
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT HAS MADE A
STATUTORY RULE ENTITLED “THE FLUORINATED
GREENHOUSE GASES REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND)
2015” (SR 2015 NO. 425), WHICH COMES INTO OPERATION ON
31ST JANUARY 2016.**

Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases (“F-gases”) are used in several sectors of industry in NI, including refrigeration, air conditioning, fire equipment, aerosols, heat pumps, and high-voltage switchgear.

F-gases have a very high Greenhouse Warming Potential (“GWP”), much higher than carbon dioxide, contributing to rising global temperatures. EU legislation therefore requires that the use of F-gases is restricted and monitored.

A number of provisions are introduced by the Statutory Rule to ensure that stakeholders working with F-gases in industry can carry out their roles with only limited leakage of F-gases into the atmosphere.

Copies of the Rule may be purchased from the Stationery Office at www.tsoshop.co.uk, or by contacting TSO Customer Services on 0333 202 5070, or viewed online at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisr/2015/425/made> (2458812)