

L.N. 151 of 2022

**FOOD SAFETY ACT
(CAP. 449)**

**Protection of Public Health (Radioactive Substances
In Water intended For Human Consumption) (Amendment)
Regulations, 2022**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by article 10 of the Food Safety Act, the Minister responsible for public health has made the following regulations:-

1. The title of these regulations is the Protection of Public Health (Radioactive Substances in Water intended for Human Consumption) (Amendment) Regulations, 2022 and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Protection of Public Health (Radioactive Substances in Water intended for Human Consumption) Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

Citation.

S.L. 449. 61.

2. In regulation 2 of the principal regulations, the definition "parametric value" shall be substituted by the following new definition:

Amends regulation 2 of the principal regulations.

" "parametric value" means the value of radioactive substances in water intended for human consumption above which the competent authority shall assess whether the presence of radioactive substances in water intended for human consumption poses a risk to human health which requires action and, where necessary, shall take remedial action to improve the quality of water to a level which complies with the requirements for the protection of human health from a radiation protection point of view;"

3. Schedule II to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

Amends Schedule II to the principal regulations.

(a) paragraph 6 thereof shall be substituted by the following new paragraph:

"The minimum sampling and analysis frequency for the monitoring of water intended for human consumption supplied from a distribution network shall be as set out in the following Table. The frequencies in the following table shall also apply to private water supplies intended for human consumption and shall include all water, either in its original

state or after treatment, intended for drinking, cooking, food preparation, put in bottles and containers or other domestic purposes, which is not distributed through a distribution network."; and

(b) note 5 of paragraph 6 thereof shall be substituted by the following new note:

"Note 5: The competent authority shall stipulate the minimum sampling and analysis frequency in the registration certificate issued in terms of the Registration of Private Water Supplies Intended for Human Consumption Regulations."

Amends
Schedule III to
the principal
regulations,

4. Schedule III to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) in paragraph 1 thereof, the words "the competent authority may require" shall be substituted by the words "the competent authority shall require"; and

(b) in paragraph 1(b) thereof, the words "indicator value for ID." shall be substituted by the words "indicator value for ID:" and immediately thereafter there shall be added the following new proviso:

"Provided that the screening levels for gross alpha activity or gross beta activity should be as follows:

The screening level for gross alpha activity should not exceed 0,1 Bq/l.

The screening level for gross beta activity should not exceed 1,0 Bq/l."