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I, PHIL HOGAN, Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3 of the European Communities Act 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving effect to Council Directive 2010/79/EU<sup>1</sup> on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds and amending Directive 2004/42/EC<sup>2</sup> hereby make the following Regulations:

*Citation.*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Limitation of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds due to the use of Organic Solvents in Certain Paints, Varnishes and Vehicle Refinishing Products (Amendment) Regulations 2012.

*Amendment.*

2. The Limitation of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds due to the use of Organic Solvents in Certain Paints, Varnishes and Vehicle Refinishing Products Regulations 2007 (S.I. No. 199 of 2007) are amended by substituting for the Third Schedule the following:

“THIRD SCHEDULE

ANALYTICAL METHODS

Permitted method for products with VOC content below 15% by mass where reactive diluents are not present:

Parameter	Unit	Test	
		Method	Date of Publication
VOC Content	g/l	ISO 11890-2	2006

Permitted method for products with VOC content equal to or greater than 15% mass where reactive diluents are not present:

Parameter	Unit	Test	
		Method	Date of Publication
VOC Content	g/l	ISO 11890-1	2007
VOC Content	g/l	ISO 11890-2	2006

<sup>1</sup>O.J. No. L 304 of 20 November 2010, p. 18-19

<sup>2</sup>O.J. No. L 143 of 30 April 2004, p. 87-96.

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in  
“Iris Oifigiúil” of 8th June, 2012.*

Permitted method for products with VOC content where reactive diluents are present:

Parameter	Unit	Test	
		Method	Date of Publication
VOC Content	g/l	ASTMD 2369	2003

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GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
31 May 2012.

PHIL HOGAN,  
Minister for the Environment, Community and Local  
Government.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)*

These Regulations transpose Directive 2010/79/EU on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Directive 2010/79/EU amends Directive 2004/42/EC by inserting a new Annex III concerning analytical methods used to determine the VOC content of products specified in Annex I.

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