

Serious Crime Act 2015

2015 CHAPTER 9

PART 5

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND OTHERS

Protection of children

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- (1) The Sexual Offences Act 2003 is amended as set out in subsections (2) to (6).
- (2) For the heading before section 47 substitute "Sexual exploitation of children".
- (3) In section 48 (headed "Causing or inciting child prostitution or pornography")—
 - (a) in the heading, for "child prostitution or pornography" substitute "sexual exploitation of a child";
 - (b) in subsection (1)(a), for "to become a prostitute, or to be involved in pornography," substitute "to be sexually exploited".
- (4) In section 49 (headed "Controlling a child prostitute or a child involved in pornography")—
 - (a) in the heading, for "**prostitute or a child involved in pornography**" substitute "**in relation to sexual exploitation**";
 - (b) in subsection (1)(a), for "prostitution or involvement in pornography" substitute "sexual exploitation".
- (5) In section 50 (headed "Arranging or facilitating child prostitution or pornography")—
 - (a) in the heading, for "child prostitution or pornography" substitute "sexual exploitation of a child";
 - (b) in subsection (1)(a), for "prostitution or involvement in pornography" substitute "sexual exploitation".
- (6) In section 51 (interpretation of sections 48 to 50)—
 - (a) omit subsection (1);

- (b) for subsection (2) substitute—
 - "(2) For the purposes of sections 48 to 50, a person (B) is sexually exploited if—
 - (a) on at least one occasion and whether or not compelled to do so, B offers or provides sexual services to another person in return for payment or a promise of payment to B or a third person, or
 - (b) an indecent image of B is recorded;
 - and "sexual exploitation" is to be interpreted accordingly."
- (7) In section 1 of the Street Offences Act 1959 (loitering or soliciting for purposes of prostitution), in subsection (1), after "person" insert "aged 18 or over".