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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2003 No. 2426**

**ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS**

The Privacy and Electronic Communications  
(EC Directive) Regulations 2003

*Made* - - - - *18th September 2003*  
*Laid before Parliament* *18th September 2003*  
*Coming into force* - - *11th December 2003*

The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated <sup>M1</sup> for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 <sup>M2</sup> in respect of matters relating to electronic communications, in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by that section, hereby makes the following Regulations:

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** Regulations power to apply (with modifications) conferred (10.5.2018) by [Financial Guidance and Claims Act 2018 \(c. 10\), s. 21\(d\)](#)
- C2** [Instrument](#) applied (25.5.2018) by [Data Protection Act 2018 \(c. 12\), ss. 122\(a\), 212\(1\)](#) (with ss. 117, 209, 210); [S.I. 2018/625, reg. 2\(1\)\(e\)](#)
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**Marginal Citations**

- M1** [S.I. 2001/3495](#).
- M2** [1972 c. 68](#).

**Changes to legislation:**

The Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003, Introductory Text is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 10 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.