



Limitation Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 58

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An Act to consolidate the Limitation Acts 1939 to 1980.

[13th November 1980]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Act extended by [Water Act 1981](#) (c. 12, SIF 130), s. **6(4)**
- C2** Act amended (1.5.1994) by [Environmental Protection Act 1990](#) (c. 43, SIF 46:4), s. **73(9)(c)**; S.I. 1994/1096, [art.2\(1\)](#)
Act amended (31.1.1997) by 1996 c. 23, s. **14(1)** (with s. 81(2)); S.I. 1996/3146, [art. 3](#)
- C3** Act modified (E.W.) (1.12.1991) by [Water Industry Act 1991](#) (c. 56, SIF 130), **ss. 209(4)**, 223(2) (with **ss. 82(3)**, 186(1), 222(1), [Sch. 14](#) para. 6)
Act applied with modifications by [Water Resources Act 1991](#) (c. 57, SIF 130), s. **208(4)**(with **ss. 16(6)**, 179, 222(3), 224(1), 225(4), [Sch. 22](#) para. 1, [Sch. 23](#) para.6)
Act modified (27.4.1997) by 1925 c. 21, s. **83(12)** (as substituted (27.4.1997) by 1997 c. 2, s. **2** (with s. 5(5)))
- C4** Act applied (31.1.1997) by 1996 c. 23, s. **13** (with s. 81(2)); S.I. 1996/3146, [art. 3](#)
Act modified (13.10.2003) by 2002 c. 9, **ss. 103**, 134, 136(2), [Sch. 8](#) para. 8, [Sch. 12](#) para. **19(1)** (with s. 129); S.I. 2003/1725 {art. 2}
- C5** Act: 2004 c. 12, s. 320 to be construed as one with this Act (22.7.2004) by virtue of [The Finance Act 2004](#) (c. 12), s. **320**
- C6** Act: for the words "Supreme Court Act 1981" wherever they occur there is substituted (prosp.) the words "Senior Courts Act 1981" by virtue of [Constitutional Reform Act 2005](#) (c. 4), **ss. 59**, 148(1), [Sch. 11](#) para. **1(2)** [Editorial Note: this amendment will be carried through into the text of the Act at the same time as any other effects on the Act for the year in which the relevant commencement order (or first such order) is made]
- C7** Act modified (1.10.2010) by [The Building Regulations 2010](#) (S.I. 2010/2214), **regs. 1**, **32(3)** (with [reg. 9](#))
- C8** Act applied (with modifications) by SI 2008/1277, s. 27K(5) (as inserted (1.10.2014) by [The Consumer Protection \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014](#) (S.I. 2014/870), **regs. 1(3)**, **3**)
- C9** Act applied (with modifications) by 1998 c. 41, s. 47E(2)(a) (as inserted (1.10.2015) by [Consumer Rights Act 2015](#) (c. 15), s. 100(5), [Sch. 8](#) para. **8(1)** (with [Sch. para. 8\(2\)](#)); S.I. 2015/1630, [art. 3\(j\)](#))
- C10** Act applied (1.10.2015) by [Consumer Rights Act 2015](#) (c. 15), **ss. 46(8)**, 100(5); S.I. 2015/1630, [art. 3\(a\)](#) (with [art. 6\(1\)](#))

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- C11** Act modified by Road Traffic Act 1988 (c. 52), s. 12E (as inserted (10.3.2017) by [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\)](#), **ss. 73(3)**, 115(7); S.I. 2017/273, art. 2(a))
- C12** Act modified (30.9.2022) by [Environment Act 2021 \(c. 30\)](#), **ss. 125(5)**, 147(3) (with s. 144, Sch. 19); S.I. 2022/48, **reg. 5(a)**

Commencement Information

- I1** Act wholly in force at 1. 5. 1981 see s. 41 (2)(3)

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