

Broadcasting Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 68

PART I

THE INDEPENDENT BROADCASTING AUTHORITY

Special provisions relating to the Fourth Channel

10 Provision by Authority of second television service.

(1) If the Authority provide a television broadcasting service additional to that already being provided by them under this Act, the programmes (other than advertisements) broadcast in that service shall, subject to subsection (4) and without prejudice to section 12(2), be provided by the Authority themselves.

(2) In this Act—

- (a) "ITV" means the television broadcasting service already being provided by the Authority under this Act, and "on ITV" means in that service;
- (b) "the Fourth Channel" means the additional television broadcasting service referred to in subsection (1) and "on the Fourth Channel" means in that service:
- (c) "TV programme contractor" means a person whose contract as a programme contractor gives him the right and the duty to provide programmes or parts of programmes for broadcasting on ITV;
- (d) references to the area of a TV programme contractor are references to the area for which he has the right and the duty to provide programmes or parts of programmes for broadcasting on ITV;
- (e) references to a TV programme contractor's contract are references to the contract by virtue of which he is such a contractor.

(3) In consequence of subsection (1)—

(a) references in section 2(3) (provision of programmes by programme contractors) to programmes broadcast by the Authority shall not include references to programmes broadcast by them on the Fourth Channel; and

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- (b) section 3(2) (provision of programmes in exceptional cases otherwise than by programme contractors) and section 6 (submission of programme schedules by programme contractors for Authority's approval) shall not apply in the case of the Fourth Channel.
- (4) The programmes (other than advertisements) broadcast on the Fourth Channel so far they consist of programmes broadcast for reception in Wales shall be provided by the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority in accordance with Part II; and accordingly sections 11 and 12 do not apply in relation to the broadcasting by the IBA of television programmes, whether on ITV or otherwise, for reception in Wales.
- (5) In this section "television broadcasting service" does not include a teletext service.

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