



Consumer Protection Act 1987

CHAPTER 43

CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 1987

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- 1 After section 11 of the Limitation Act 1980 (actions in...
- 2 In section 12(1) of the said Act of 1980 (actions...
- 3 In section 14 of the said Act of 1980 (definition...

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- 4 In section 28 of the said Act of 1980 (extension...
- 5 In section 32 of the said Act of 1980 (postponement...
- 6 In section 33 of the said Act of 1980 (discretionary...
Part II — SCOTLAND
- 7 The Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973 shall be amended...
- 8 In section 7(2), after the words “not being an obligation”...
- 9 In Part II, before section 17, there shall be inserted...
- 10 After section 22, there shall be inserted the following new...
- 11 Section 23 shall cease to have effect, but for the...
- 12 In paragraph 2 of Schedule 1, after sub-paragraph (gg) there...

SCHEDULE 2 — Prohibition Notices and Notices to Warn

Part I — PROHIBITION NOTICES

- 1 A prohibition notice in respect of any goods shall—
- 2 (1) If representations in writing about a prohibition notice are...
- 3 (1) Where representations in writing about a prohibition notice are...
- 4 (1) Where a person is appointed to consider representations about...
- 5 (1) The Secretary of State may revoke or vary a...

Part II — NOTICES TO WARN

- 6 (1) If the Secretary of State proposes to serve a...
- 7 (1) Where a person on whom a notification containing a...
- 8 (1) Where a person is appointed to consider representations about...
- 9 The Secretary of State may revoke a notice to warn...

Part III — GENERAL

- 10 (1) Where in a notification served on any person under...
- 11 In this Schedule— “the appointed person” in relation to a...

SCHEDULE 3 — Amendments of Part I of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

- 1 (1) Section 6 (general duties of manufacturers etc. as regard...
- 2 In section 22 (prohibition notices)— (a) in subsections (1) and...
- 3 After section 25 there shall be inserted the following section—...
- 4 After section 27 (power to obtain information) there shall be...
- 5 In section 28 (restrictions on disclosure of information), in subsection...
- 6 In section 33(1)(h) (offence of obstructing an inspector), after the...
- 7 In section 53(1) (general interpretation of Part I)—

SCHEDULE 4 — Minor and Consequential Amendments

The Explosives Act 1875

- 1 In sections 31 and 80 of the Explosives Act 1875...

The Trade Descriptions Act 1968

- 2 (1) In section 2 of the Trade Descriptions Act 1968...

The Fair Trading Act 1973

- 3 In section 130(1) of the Fair Trading Act 1973 (notice...

The Consumer Credit Act 1974

- 4 In section 174(3)(a) of the Consumer Credit Act 1974 (exceptions...

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The Torts (Interference with Goods) Act 1977

5 In section 1 of the Torts (Interference with Goods) Act...

The Estate Agents Act 1979

6 In section 10(3)(a) of the Estate Agents Act 1979 (exceptions...

The Competition Act 1980

7 In section 19(3) of the Competition Act 1980 (enactments specified...

The Employment Act 1982

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The Telecommunications Act 1984

9 (1) In . . . 85(5)(b) of the Telecommunications Act...

The Airports Act 1986

10 In section 74(3) of the Airports Act 1986 (enactments specified...

The Gas Act 1986

11 In section 42 of the Gas Act 1986—

The Insolvency Act 1986

12 In section 281(5)(a) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (discharge from...

The Motor Cycle Noise Act 1987

13 For paragraphs 3 to 5 of the Schedule to the...

SCHEDULE 5 — Repeals

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