



Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

1988 CHAPTER 48

PART II

RIGHTS IN PERFORMANCES

[^{F1}CHAPTER 2

ECONOMIC RIGHTS

^{X1} Rights of person having recording rights

^{X1}[^{F1}188 Infringement of recording rights by importing, possessing or dealing with illicit recording.

- (1) A person infringes the rights of a person having recording rights in relation to a performance who, without his consent or, in the case of a qualifying performance, that of the performer—
 - (a) imports into the United Kingdom otherwise than for his private and domestic use, or
 - (b) in the course of a business possesses, sells or lets for hire, offers or exposes for sale or hire, or distributes,
a recording of the performance which is, and which that person knows or has reason to believe is, an illicit recording.
- (2) Where in an action for infringement of those rights brought by virtue of this section a defendant shows that the illicit recording was innocently acquired by him or a predecessor in title of his, the only remedy available against him in respect of the infringement is damages not exceeding a reasonable payment in respect of the act complained of.
- (3) In subsection (2) “innocently acquired” means that the person acquiring the recording did not know and had no reason to believe that it was an illicit recording.]

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Editorial Information

- X1** The insertion of the new headings "Chapter 1 Introductory", "Chapter 2 Economic Rights", "Chapter 3 Moral Rights" and "Chapter 4 Qualification for Protection, Extent and Interpretation" in Pt. II on 1.2.2006 gives rise to a change in the structure of this legislation on SLD which breaks the continuity of historical versions of the existing provisions which are now brought under those new headings.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 182-205B become Pt. 2 Ch. 2 (1.2.2006) by virtue of [The Performances \(Moral Rights, etc.\) Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/18\)](#), **reg. 4(4)** (with reg. 8)

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