

# Sexual Offences Act 2003

## **2003 CHAPTER 42**

#### PART 1

#### **SEXUAL OFFENCES**

Child sex offences

## VALID FROM 01/05/2004

## 12 Causing a child to watch a sexual act

- (1) A person aged 18 or over (A) commits an offence if—
  - (a) for the purpose of obtaining sexual gratification, he intentionally causes another person (B) to watch a third person engaging in an activity, or to look at an image of any person engaging in an activity,
  - (b) the activity is sexual, and
  - (c) either—
    - (i) B is under 16 and A does not reasonably believe that B is 16 or over, or
    - (ii) B is under 13.
- (2) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or both;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 years.

#### **Status:**

Point in time view as at 20/11/2003. This version of this provision is not valid for this point in time.

## **Changes to legislation:**

Sexual Offences Act 2003, Section 12 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 25 June 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.