



# Immigration Act 2014

## 2014 CHAPTER 22

### PART 3

#### ACCESS TO SERVICES ETC

### CHAPTER 1

#### RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES

#### *Codes of practice*

### 33 Discrimination

- (1) The Secretary of State must issue a code of practice specifying what a landlord or agent should or should not do to ensure that, while avoiding liability to pay a penalty under this Chapter, the landlord or agent also avoids contravening—
  - (a) the Equality Act 2010, so far as relating to race, or
  - (b) the Race Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 ([S.I. 1997/869 \(N.I. 6\)](#)).
- (2) The Secretary of State must from time to time review the code and may revise and re-issue it following a review.
- (3) Before issuing the code (or a revised code) the Secretary of State must consult—
  - (a) the Commission for Equality and Human Rights,
  - (b) the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland, and
  - (c) such persons representing the interests of landlords and tenants as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (4) After consulting under subsection (3) the Secretary of State must—
  - (a) publish a draft code, and
  - (b) consider any representations made about the published draft.
- (5) The code (or revised code)—

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (a) may not be issued unless a draft has been laid before Parliament (prepared after considering representations under subsection (4)(b) and with or without modifications to reflect the representations), and
  - (b) comes into force in accordance with provision made by order of the Secretary of State.
- (6) A breach of the code—
- (a) does not make a person liable to civil or criminal proceedings, but
  - (b) may be taken into account by a court or tribunal.