

*These notes refer to the Consumer Rights Act 2015
(c.15) which received Royal Assent on 26 March 2015*

CONSUMER RIGHTS ACT 2015

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Territorial extent and application

25. The Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland as described below.
26. [Parts 1 to 3](#) largely extend to the whole of the UK. Some of Part 3 does not apply to Scotland or Northern Ireland because of the differences in the law. For example, the provision relating to the Competition Appeal Tribunal issuing injunctions in private actions does not apply to Scotland, and some of the legislation which Part 3 proposes to amend does not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland, e.g. the Sunday Trading Act 1994. Chapter 3 of Part 3 (duty on letting agents to publicise fees) extends only to England and Wales, and applies in relation to the fees charged by agents in the course of the letting and management of privately rented property in England and Wales. However, the requirement for letting agents to publicise whether or not they are a member of a client money protection scheme and which redress scheme they have joined applies only to England. The obligation to expand the requirement to join the complaints handling scheme in higher education applies to England and Wales on the basis that the original legislation extends to England and Wales only.