



Equipment Theft (Prevention) Act 2023

2023 CHAPTER 34

1 Requirements for sale of equipment

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision to restrict the sale of specified equipment where a specified requirement is not met.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may specify equipment of a kind falling within the following descriptions—
 - (a) mechanically propelled vehicles that—
 - (i) are designed or adapted primarily for use other than on a road,
 - (ii) have an engine capacity of at least 250 cubic centimeters or two kilowatts, and
 - (iii) travel on more than two wheels or on tracks;
 - (b) other equipment designed or adapted primarily for use in agricultural or commercial activities.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may specify a requirement of a kind falling within the following descriptions—
 - (a) a requirement that the equipment is fitted with a device designed, or adapted, to be fitted for the purposes of preventing the equipment from being driven or otherwise put in motion;
 - (b) a requirement that the equipment is marked with—
 - (i) a unique identifier, and
 - (ii) a visible indication that it is marked with a unique identifier.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may not restrict the sale of equipment if—
 - (a) the sale is solely for the purposes of onward sale by the buyer, or
 - (b) the equipment has previously been used for the purpose for which it was primarily designed or adapted.
- (5) In this Act—
 - (a) “equipment” includes a vehicle;
 - (b) equipment is not “used for the purpose for which it was primarily designed or adapted” solely by virtue of being used—

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- (i) in order to demonstrate its features to a potential buyer of the equipment or other equipment of the same or a similar kind, or
- (ii) in preparation for such a demonstration.

Commencement Information

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