



# Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023

## 2023 CHAPTER 56

### PART 2

#### PARTNERSHIPS

#### CHAPTER 1

##### LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS ETC.

##### *Delivery of documents*

#### **145 Delivery of documents relating to limited partnerships**

After section 32 of the Limited Partnerships Act 1907 (inserted by section 134 of this Act) insert—

##### *“Delivery of documents to the registrar*

#### **33 Documents to be delivered by authorised corporate service providers**

- (1) An individual may not deliver a document under a provision listed in subsection (3) to the registrar on their own behalf (and, accordingly, any delivery of a document under such a provision must be made on the individual’s behalf in accordance with subsection (2)).
- (2) An individual may not deliver a document under a provision listed in subsection (3) to the registrar on behalf of another person unless—
  - (a) the individual is an authorised corporate service provider, or

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- (b) the individual is an officer or employee of an authorised corporate service provider.
- (3) The provisions are—
  - (a) section 8A (application for registration);
  - (b) section 8F (change of address of registered office) or 8I (change of registered email address);
  - (c) section 8L, 8M, 8N or 8O (changes relating to officers of general partners);
  - (d) section 8R, 8S or 8T (changes relating to partners);
  - (e) section 10A or 10B (other changes in partnerships), other than a notice under section 10A(2)(b)(i) or 10B(2)(a);
  - (f) section 10D (confirmation statements);
  - (g) section 20 (administrative revival).
- (4) The Secretary of State may by regulations—
  - (a) amend this section for the purposes of changing who may deliver a document under a provision listed in subsection (3) to the registrar on behalf of another person;
  - (b) amend the list in subsection (3).
- (5) Regulations under subsection (4) are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

#### Commencement Information

- II** S. 145 in force at Royal Assent for specified purposes, see [s. 219\(1\)\(2\)\(b\)](#)

## 146 General false statement offences

After section 33 of the Limited Partnerships Act 1907 (inserted by section 145 of this Act) insert—

### “34 False statements: basic offence

- (1) It is an offence for a person, without reasonable excuse, to—
  - (a) deliver or cause to be delivered to the registrar, for the purposes of this Act, a document that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular, or
  - (b) make to the registrar, for the purposes of this Act, a statement that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular.
- (2) Where the offence is committed by a legal entity, every managing officer of the entity who is in default also commits the offence.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction in England and Wales, to a fine;
  - (b) on summary conviction in Scotland, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale;
  - (c) on summary conviction in Northern Ireland, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

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- (4) A managing officer is “in default” for the purposes of this section if they authorise or permit, participate in, or fail to take all reasonable steps to prevent, the contravention.
- (5) But a corporate managing officer does not commit an offence as a managing officer in default unless one of its managing officers is in default.
- (6) Where any such offence is committed by a corporate managing officer the managing officer in question also commits the offence (subject to subsection (5)).

### **35 False statements: aggravated offence**

- (1) It is an offence for a person knowingly to—
  - (a) deliver or cause to be delivered to the registrar, for the purposes of this Act, a document that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular, or
  - (b) make to the registrar, for the purposes of this Act, a statement that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular.
- (2) Where the offence is committed by a legal entity, every managing officer of the entity who is in default also commits the offence.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
  - (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or a fine (or both);
  - (b) on summary conviction—
    - (i) in England and Wales, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates’ court or a fine (or both);
    - (ii) in Scotland, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both);
    - (iii) in Northern Ireland, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both).
- (4) A managing officer is “in default” for the purposes of this section if they authorise or permit, participate in, or fail to take all reasonable steps to prevent, the contravention.
- (5) But a corporate managing officer does not commit an offence as a managing officer in default unless one of its managing officers is in default.
- (6) Where any such offence is committed by a corporate managing officer the managing officer in question also commits the offence (subject to subsection (5)).”

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#### **Commencement Information**

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