

## Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024

**2024 CHAPTER 13** 

## PART 3

ENFORCEMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION LAW

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CONSUMER PROTECTION ORDERS AND UNDERTAKINGS

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(1) Proceedings under this Chapter are civil proceedings for the purposes of—

- (a) section 11 of the Civil Evidence Act 1968 (convictions admissible as evidence in civil proceedings);
- (b) section 10 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1968 (corresponding provision in Scotland);
- (c) section 7 of the Civil Evidence Act (Northern Ireland) 1971 (c.36 (N.I.)) (corresponding provision in Northern Ireland).
- (2) In proceedings under this Chapter any finding by a court in civil proceedings that a person has engaged in infringing conduct—
  - (a) is admissible as evidence that the conduct has occurred;
  - (b) unless the contrary is proved, is sufficient evidence that the conduct has occurred.

(3) But subsection (2) does not apply to any finding—

- (a) which has been reversed on appeal;
- (b) which has been varied on appeal so as to negate it.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) For the purposes of subsection (2), a person engages in "infringing conduct" if—
  - (a) the person has engaged in a commercial practice that constitutes a relevant infringement, or
  - (b) the person is an accessory to such a practice.