



# Media Act 2024

## 2024 CHAPTER 15

### PART 7

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

PROSPECTIVE

#### *Amount of penalties etc*

#### **49 Penalties under Parts 3A and 3B of the Communications Act 2003**

- (1) The Communications Act 2003 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 392 insert—

#### *“Penalties under Parts 3A and 3B etc*

#### **392A Amount of penalties etc**

[Schedule 16A](#) contains provision about the amount of penalties that OFCOM may impose under Part 3A or 3B, and makes further provision about such penalties.”

- (3) After Schedule 16 insert (as [Schedule 16A](#)) the Schedule set out in [Schedule 10](#) (penalties imposed by OFCOM under Parts 3A and 3B).
- (4) After [section 392A](#) (inserted by [subsection \(2\)](#)) insert—

#### **“392B Liability of parent entities etc**

[Schedule 16B](#) contains provision for the purposes of Parts 3A and 3B about—

- (a) the giving of joint provisional notices of contravention to parent entities etc,

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- (b) the liability of parent entities for failures by subsidiary entities,
- (c) the liability of subsidiary entities for failures by parent entities,
- (d) the liability of fellow subsidiary entities for failures by subsidiary entities, and
- (e) the liability of controlling individuals for failures by entities.”

(5) After [Schedule 16A](#) (as inserted by [subsection \(3\)](#)) insert (as [Schedule 16B](#)) the Schedule set out in [Schedule 11](#) (Parts 3A and 3B: liability of parent entities etc).

#### Commencement Information

**I1** S. 49 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(3\)\(g\)](#)

PROSPECTIVE

#### *Publishers of news-related material*

#### **50 Awards of costs**

- (1) The Crime and Courts Act 2013 is amended as follows.
- (2) Section 40 (awards of costs) is omitted.
- (3) In section 41 (meaning of “relevant publisher”), in subsection (1), for “40” substitute “39”.

#### Commencement Information

**I2** S. 50 in force at 24.7.2024, see [s. 55\(2\)](#)

PROSPECTIVE

#### *Amendments related to the UK's withdrawal from the EU*

#### **51 Amendments of broadcasting legislation: UK's withdrawal from EU**

[Schedule 12](#) contains amendments of the Broadcasting Act 1990, the Broadcasting Act 1996 and the Communications Act 2003 to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

#### Commencement Information

**I3** S. 51 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(3\)\(h\)](#)

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## General

### 52 Power to make consequential provision

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision that is consequential on this Act.
- (2) Regulations under this section may amend, repeal or revoke provision made by or under an Act passed—
  - (a) before this Act, or
  - (b) in the same session of Parliament as this Act.
- (3) Regulations under this section may—
  - (a) make different provision for different purposes;
  - (b) make transitional, transitory or saving provision.
- (4) Regulations under this section are to be made by statutory instrument.
- (5) A statutory instrument containing (whether alone or with other provision) regulations under this section that amend or repeal any provision of an Act may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (6) Any other statutory instrument containing regulations under this section is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

#### Commencement Information

**I4** S. 52 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(1\)\(b\)](#)

### 53 Financial provisions

There is to be paid out of money provided by Parliament any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.

#### Commencement Information

**I5** S. 53 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(1\)\(b\)](#)

### 54 Extent

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, subject to [subsection \(2\)](#).
- (2) An amendment or repeal made by this Act has the same extent within the United Kingdom as the provision amended or repealed.
- (3) The power under—
  - (a) section 204(6) of the Broadcasting Act 1990,
  - (b) section 150(4) of the Broadcasting Act 1996, or
  - (c) section 411(6) of the Communications Act 2003,

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may be exercised so as to extend to any of the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man any amendment or repeal made by or under this Act of any part of the Broadcasting Act 1990, the Broadcasting Act 1996 or the Communications Act 2003 (with or without modifications).

- (4) His Majesty may by Order in Council provide for any of the other provisions of this Act to extend, with or without modifications, to any of the Channel Islands or to the Isle of Man.

#### Commencement Information

**I6** S. 54 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(1\)\(b\)](#)

## 55 Commencement

- (1) The following come into force on the day on which this Act is passed—
- (a) [Part 2](#), so far as it confers powers to make regulations;
  - (b) sections [52](#) to [54](#), this section and [section 56](#).
- (2) Section [50](#) comes into force at the end of the period of two months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.
- (3) The following come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by regulations appoint—
- (a) [Part 1](#);
  - (b) the remaining provisions of [Part 2](#);
  - (c) [Part 3](#);
  - (d) [Part 4](#);
  - (e) [Part 5](#);
  - (f) [Part 6](#);
  - (g) [section 49](#) and [Schedules 10](#) and [11](#);
  - (h) [section 51](#) and [Schedule 12](#).
- (4) Different days may be appointed for different purposes.
- (5) The Secretary of State may by regulations make transitional, transitory or saving provision in connection with the coming into force of any provision of this Act.
- (6) The power to make regulations under [subsection \(5\)](#) includes power to make different provision for different purposes.
- (7) Regulations under this section are to be made by statutory instrument.

#### Commencement Information

**I7** S. 55 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(1\)\(b\)](#)

## 56 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Media Act 2024.

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**Commencement Information**

**18** S. 56 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 55\(1\)\(b\)](#)

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