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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 395**

**The Reporting on Payment Practices  
and Performance Regulations 2017**

**False statement offence**

- 9.—(1) It is an offence for a person knowingly or recklessly—
- (a) to publish or cause to be published, for the purposes of these Regulations, a report or any information, or
  - (b) to make, for any such purpose, a statement,
- that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular.
- (2) A person guilty of an offence under this regulation is liable on summary conviction—
- (a) in England and Wales, to a fine;
  - (b) in Scotland or Northern Ireland, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (3) No proceedings are to be brought under this regulation—
- (a) in England and Wales except by or with consent of the Secretary of State or the Director of Public Prosecutions;
  - (b) in Northern Ireland except by or with consent of the Secretary of State or the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland.

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**Commencement Information**

**11** Reg. 9 in force at 6.4.2017, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance Regulations 2017. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. para. 9(c) inserted by [S.I. 2024/444 reg. 2\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. para. 10A10B inserted by [S.I. 2024/444 reg. 2\(4\)\(b\)](#)