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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1199**

**The Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Award) Regulations 2020**

**PART 11**

Miscellaneous

**Changes to round times and use of electronic auction system**

**128.**—(1) Where a time for the start of a round has been notified to bidders and OFCOM determine that it is impracticable for reasons relating to the coronavirus pandemic or for any other reason to start the round at that time, OFCOM shall take reasonable steps to notify bidders of a revised time for the start of the round.

(2) Where a time for the end of a round has been notified to bidders and OFCOM determine that it is impracticable for reasons relating to the coronavirus pandemic or for any other reason for the round to end at that time, OFCOM shall take reasonable steps to notify bidders of a revised time for the end of the round.

(3) Where OFCOM determine that it is impracticable for reasons relating to the coronavirus pandemic or for any other reason to use the electronic auction system for any of the purposes specified in these Regulations, OFCOM shall take reasonable steps to notify bidders of an alternative method of participating in the award process and any requirements relating to the authentication of communications made by means of the alternative method.

(4) Bidders must use the alternative method of participating in the award process in accordance with a notification under paragraph (3).