
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 858

The Media Act 2024 (Commencement No. 1) Regulations 2024

Provisions coming into force on 23rd August 2024

- 2.—(1) The following provisions of the 2024 Act come into force on 23rd August 2024—
- (a) section 16 (removal of quotas for schools programmes on Channel 4);
 - (b) section 18 (power to require information);
 - (c) section 23 (regulations about coverage of listed events);
 - (d) section 24 (provision of information);
 - (e) section 25 (sections 20 to 24: further provision), except subsection (1);
 - (f) section 26 (public teletext service);
 - (g) section 27 (further amendments relating to public service television);
 - (h) section 28 (prominence on television selection services), so far as not already in force⁽¹⁾, except for the insertion of the following provisions into the 2003 Act by subsection (1)—
 - (i) subsection (1)(a) of section 362AA (designation of internet programme services);
 - (ii) subsection (1)(c) of section 362AA (designation of internet programme services) but only in so far as it applies to an internet programme service provided by a person associated with the BBC;
 - (iii) subsection (5) of section 362AA (eligibility conditions for an internet programme service provided by a person associated with the BBC);
 - (iv) subsection (8) of section 362AA (appropriateness of designating an internet programme service provided by a person associated with the BBC);
 - (v) section 362AJ (must-offer obligations in the case of designated internet programme services);
 - (vi) section 362AK (must-carry obligations); and
 - (vii) section 362AO (duties relating to a regulated television selection service);
 - (i) section 29 (sustainability duty of C4C);
 - (j) section 31 (involvement of C4C in programme-making);
 - (k) section 33 (the S4C board);
 - (l) section 34 (accounts and audit);
 - (m) section 35 (amendment of BBC's obligation to provide Welsh programmes);
 - (n) section 36 (chapter 2 of part 3: minor and consequential amendments);
 - (o) section 37 (tier 1 services);
 - (p) section 38 (audience protection reviews);
 - (q) section 39 (S4C: on-demand programme services);

(1) Section 28 came into force on the day on which the Media Act 2024 (c. 15) was passed so far as it confers powers to make regulations.

- (r) section 40 (other amendments of part 4A of the 2003 Act);
- (s) section 48 (regulation of radio selection services) except for the insertion of the following provisions into the 2003 Act by this section—
 - (i) section 362BI (access to relevant internet radio services);
 - (ii) section 362BJ (further provision about access to relevant internet radio services); and
 - (iii) section 362BN (complaints procedures);
- (t) section 49 (penalties under parts 3A and 3B of the Communications Act 2003);
- (u) section 51 (amendments to broadcasting legislation: UK’s withdrawal from the EU);
- (v) Schedule 2 (part 1: further amendments) except for the following paragraphs and sub-paragraphs: 12 to 17, 19, 23, 25, 26, 32(2), 36(2), 58, 59, 60(2), and 61(b) and (c);
- (w) Schedule 3 (part 2: further amendments);
- (x) Schedule 4 (chapter 2 of part 3: minor and consequential amendments) except for the following paragraphs and sub-paragraphs—
 - (i) sub-paragraph (2)(c) of paragraph 5;
 - (ii) sub-paragraphs (2)(c), (3)(b) to (d) and (4) of paragraph 6;
 - (iii) sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 18;
 - (iv) sub-paragraph (3)(b) of paragraph 19;
 - (v) sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 23;
 - (vi) sub-paragraphs (2) and (4)(b) of paragraph 39;
 - (vii) sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 41;
 - (viii) paragraph 51;
 - (ix) sub-paragraphs (3)(b) and (4) of paragraph 52;
 - (x) sub-paragraphs (4)(b)(ii) and (iii) of paragraph 57;
 - (xi) sub-paragraphs (5)(b)(ii) and (iii) of paragraph 65;
 - (xii) sub-paragraph (2)(c) of paragraph 71; and
 - (xiii) paragraph 72 in so far as it omits paragraph 27 of Schedule 18 to the 2003 Act.
- (y) Schedule 5 (tier 1 services: chapter to be inserted as chapter 3 of part 4A of the 2003 Act);
- (z) Schedule 6 (tier 1 services: further amendments of part 4A of the 2003 Act);
- (z1) Schedule 7 (tier 1 services: amendments of other legislation);
- (z2) Schedule 8 (other amendments of part 4A of the 2003 Act);
- (z3) Schedule 9 (part 6: further amendments);
- (z4) Schedule 10 (schedule to be inserted as schedule 16A to the 2003 Act);
- (z5) Schedule 11 (schedule to be inserted as schedule 16B to the 2003 Act);
- (z6) Schedule 12 (amendments related to the UK’s withdrawal from the EU).
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(h)(ii)—
 - (a) “internet programme service” has the meaning given by section 362AA(10) of the 2003 Act(2); and

(2) 2003 c. 21: section 362AA(10) was inserted by the Media Act 2024 (c. 15), section 28(1).

- (b) section 362AZ12(6) of the 2003 Act (meaning of references to a person associated with a public service broadcaster)(3) applies as it applies for the purposes of Part 3A of the 2003 Act.