STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1286 (C. 119)

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Digital Economy Act 2017 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2017

Made - - - - 14th December 2017

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 118(6) and (7) of the Digital Economy Act 2017(**1**).

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2017.

Provisions coming into force on 28th December 2017

2. The following provisions of the Digital Economy Act 2017 come into force on 28th December 2017—

(a) section 4 (the electronic communications code) in so far as not already in force;

(b) Schedule 1 (the electronic communications code), in so far as not already in force;

(c) Schedule 2 (the electronic communications code: transitional provision);

(d) Schedule 3 (electronic communications code: consequential amendments), in so far as not already in force.

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14th December 2017

(**1**) 2017 c. 30.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations commence provisions of the Digital Economy Act 2017 (c. 30) ("the 2017 Act") relating to the electronic communications code insofar as those provisions are not already in force. They are the third commencement regulations made under the 2017 Act.

The Explanatory Notes to the 2017 Act provide an explanation of the reforms to the electronic communications code introduced by the 2017 Act and are available online (http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2017/30/pdfs/ukpgaen_20170030_en.pdf). A full impact assessment for the reforms is available from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport at 100 Parliament Street, London SW1A 2BQ. A copy may be obtained online (https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/524895/ECC_Impact_Assessment.pdf).

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The following provisions of the Digital Economy Act 2017 (c. 30) have been or are to be brought into force by commencement regulations made before the date of these Regulations.

Provision	*Date of Commencement*	*S.I. No.*
Section 4 (partially)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 4 (further purposes)	22.11.17	2017/1136
Section 5	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 6	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 8	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 14 (partially)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 15 (partially)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 16	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 17	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 21(5) (partially)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 22 (partially)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 25	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 26(2)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 27	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 30(1) and (2) (partially)	31.07.17	2017/765
Section 32	01.10.17	2017/765