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The Digital Economy Act 2017 (Commencement No. 1) Regulations 2017

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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 118(4), (6) and (7) of the Digital Economy Act 2017(**1**).

Citation and interpretation

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

(2) In these Regulations "the 2017 Act" means the Digital Economy Act 2017.

Provisions coming into force on 31st July 2017

2. The following provisions of the 2017 Act come into force on 31st July 2017—

(a) section 5 (power to make transitional provision in connection with the code);

(b) section 6 (power to make consequential provision etc in connection with the code);

(c) section 8 (regulation of dynamic spectrum access services);

(d) section 14 (internet pornography: requirement to prevent access by persons under 18) but only for the purpose of making regulations under subsection (2);

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

(e) section 15 (meaning of "pornographic material") so far as it relates to the purpose specified in paragraph (d) and to the provisions specified in paragraphs (h), (j) and (l);

(f) section 16 (the age-verification regulator: designation and funding);

(g) section 17 (parliamentary procedure for designation of age-verification regulator);

(h) section 21(5) (meaning of "ancillary service provider") so far as it relates to the provision specified in paragraph (l);

(i) section 22 (meaning of "extreme pornographic material") so far as it relates to the provisions specified in paragraphs (e), (h) and (j);

(j) section 25 (guidance to be published by regulator);

(k) section 26(2) (exercise of functions by regulator);

(l) section 27 (guidance by Secretary of State to regulator);

(m) section 30(1) and (2) (interpretation and general provisions relating to this Part) so far as it relates to the provisions specified in paragraphs (d) to (l);

(n) section 34 (copyright etc where broadcast retransmitted by cable);

(o) section 46 (disclosure of information by civil registration officials), but only for the purpose of issuing the code of practice under section 19AC of the Registration Service Act 1953(**2**);

(p) section 47 (consequential provision: civil registration) so far as it relates to the purpose specified in paragraph (o);

(q) section 74 (disclosure of non-identifying information by the Revenue and Customs);

(r) section 76 (disclosure of non-identifying information by Revenue Scotland);

(s) section 77 (disclosure of employer reference information by the Revenue and Customs);

(t) section 78 (disclosure of information by the Revenue and Customs to the Statistics Board);

(u) section 79 (disclosure of information by public authorities to the Statistics Board), except for subsection (3), and in relation to England and Wales and Scotland only;

(v) section 81 (disclosure by the Statistics Board to devolved administrations), in relation to England and Wales and Scotland only;

(w) section 87 (appeals from decisions of OFCOM and others: standard of review);

(x) section 92 (digital additional services: seriously harmful extrinsic material);

(y) section 93 (on-demand programme services: accessibility for people with disabilities), except subsection (3);

(z) section 95 (electronic programme guides and public service channels);

(aa) section 98 (strategic priorities and provision of information);

(bb) section 100 (retention by OFCOM of amounts paid under Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006);

(cc) section 101 (international recognition of satellite frequency assignments: power of OFCOM to charge fees);

(dd) section 104 (internet filters);

(ee) section 106 (power to create offence of breaching limits on internet and other ticket sales), in relation to England and Wales and Scotland only;

(ff) section 108 (regulations about charges payable to the Information Commissioner);

(gg) section 109 (functions relating to regulations under section 108);

(**2**) 1953 c. 37.