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GENERAL EXCEPTIONS

Acts authorised by statute or the executive

- 1 (1) This paragraph applies to anything done—
- (a) in pursuance of an enactment;
 - (b) in pursuance of an instrument made by a member of the executive under an enactment;
 - (c) to comply with a requirement imposed (whether before or after the passing of this Act) by a member of the executive by virtue of an enactment;
 - (d) in pursuance of arrangements made (whether before or after the passing of this Act) by or with the approval of, or for the time being approved by, a Minister of the Crown;
 - (e) to comply with a condition imposed (whether before or after the passing of this Act) by a Minister of the Crown.
- (2) A person does not contravene Part 3, 4, 5 or 6 by doing anything to which this paragraph applies which discriminates against another because of the other's nationality.
- (3) A person (A) does not contravene Part 3, 4, 5 or 6 if, by doing anything to which this paragraph applies, A discriminates against another (B) by applying to B a provision, criterion or practice which relates to—
- (a) B's place of ordinary residence;
 - (b) the length of time B has been present or resident in or outside the United Kingdom or an area within it.

Commencement Information

- II** [Sch. 23 para. 1](#) wholly in force at 1.10.2012; [Sch. 23](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 216](#); [Sch. 23](#) in force for certain purposes at 1.10.2010 by [S.I. 2010/2317](#), [art. 2\(14\)\(e\)](#) (with [art. 15](#)); [Sch. 23](#) in force for remaining purposes at 1.10.2012 by [S.I. 2012/1569](#), [art. 3\(g\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

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

- s. 40A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 1](#)
- s. 120(9) inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 124A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 3](#)