

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2(1)

Amendment of the 1975 Act

**Indirect discrimination**

1. In section 1(1) (direct and indirect discrimination against women), after subsection (3)(a) insert—

“(aa) sections 29 to 31, except in so far as they relate to an excluded matter.”.

**Discrimination on the grounds of gender reassignment**

2. In section 2A(2) (discrimination on the grounds of gender reassignment), in subsection (1), after paragraph (a) insert—

“(aa) section 29, 30 or 31, except in so far as it relates to an excluded matter.”.

**Pregnancy and maternity**

3.—(1) After section 3A(3) (discrimination on the ground of pregnancy or maternity leave) insert—

**“3B Discrimination on the ground of pregnancy or maternity: goods, facilities, services or premises**

(1) In any circumstances relevant for the purposes of a provision to which this subsection applies, a person discriminates against a woman if he treats her less favourably—

- (a) on the ground of her pregnancy, or
- (b) within the period of 26 weeks beginning on the day on which she gives birth, on the ground that she has given birth.

(2) A person (P) is taken to discriminate against a woman on the ground of her pregnancy if—

- (a) P refuses to provide her with goods, facilities or services because P thinks that providing them would, because of her pregnancy, create a risk to her health or safety, or
- (b) P provides or offers to provide them on conditions intended to remove or reduce such a risk because P thinks that provision of them without the conditions would create such a risk.

(3) Subsection (2) does not apply if—

- (a) it is reasonable for P to think as mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b), and
- (b) P applies an equivalent policy.

(4) An equivalent policy is—

- (a) for the purposes of subsection (2)(a), refusing to provide the goods, facilities or services to persons with other physical conditions because P thinks that to do so would, because of such physical conditions, create a risk to the health or safety of such persons;

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(1) Section 1 was substituted by [S.I. 2001/2660](#).

(2) Section 2A was inserted by [S.I. 1999/1102](#).

(3) Section 3A was inserted by [S.I. 2005/2467](#).

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- (b) for the purposes of subsection (2)(b), imposing conditions on the provision of goods, facilities or services to such persons which are intended to remove or reduce the risk to their health or safety because P thinks that the provision without the conditions would create such a risk.

(5) Subsection (1) applies to sections 29 to 31, except in so far as they relate to an excluded matter.”.

- (2) In section 5(4) (interpretation), subsection (1)(b), for “or 3A” substitute “, 3A or 3B”.

#### **Goods, facilities or services**

- 4. In section 29 (discrimination in provision of goods, facilities or services)—

- (a) after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) It is unlawful in connection with the provision of goods, facilities or services to the public or a section of the public (except in so far as they relate to an excluded matter) for any person to subject to harassment—

- (a) a woman who seeks to obtain or use those goods, facilities or services, or
- (b) a woman to whom he provides those goods, facilities or services.”;

- (b) in subsection (4)(5) omit “to vocational training”.

#### **Premises**

- 5. In section 30 (discrimination in disposal or management of premises)—

- (a) after subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) It is unlawful for such a person to subject to harassment a woman who applies for the premises.”;

- (b) after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) It is unlawful for such a person to subject to harassment a woman who occupies the premises.”;

- (c) after subsection (3) insert—

“(4) Subsections (1A) and (2A) apply in relation to an application for or occupation of premises except in so far as they relate to an excluded matter.”.

#### **Consent for assignment or sub-letting**

- 6. In section 31 (discrimination: consent for assignment or sub-letting), subsection (1), for the words from “to discriminate” to the end substitute—

“(a) to discriminate against a woman by withholding the licence or consent for disposal of the premises to her, or

- (b) in relation to such a licence or consent, to subject to harassment a woman to whom the disposal would be made if the licence or consent were given.”.

#### **Exception for voluntary bodies**

- 7. In section 34 (exception for voluntary bodies), after subsection (4) insert—

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(4) Section 5(1)(b) was amended by [S.I. 2005/2467](#).

(5) Section 29(4) was inserted by [S.I. 1999/1102](#).

“(5) Subsections (2) to (4) do not apply to discrimination under section 1 or 2A in its application to sections 29 to 31 unless the treatment mentioned in those subsections is—

- (a) a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim, or
- (b) for the purpose of preventing or compensating for a disadvantage linked to sex.”.

### **Further exceptions from sections 29(1) and 30**

8. In section 35(6) (further exceptions from sections 29(1) and 30)—

(a) in subsection (1) omit paragraphs (a) to (c) and insert “any of the conditions in subsections (1A) to (1C) is satisfied.”,

(b) after subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) The condition is that the place is, or is part of—

- (a) a hospital, or
- (b) any other establishment for persons requiring special care, supervision or attention.

(1B) The condition is that the place is (permanently or for the time being) occupied or used for the purposes of an organised religion, and the facilities or services are restricted to men so as to comply with the doctrines of that religion or avoid offending the religious susceptibilities of a significant number of its followers.

(1C) The condition is that the facilities or services are provided for, or are likely to be used by, two or more persons at the same time, and—

- (a) the facilities or services are such, or those persons are such, that male users are likely to suffer serious embarrassment at the presence of a woman, or
- (b) the facilities or services are such that a user is likely to be in a state of undress and a male user might reasonably object to the presence of a female user.”.

(c) after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) In their application to discrimination falling within section 2A, subsections (1A), (1C) and (2) shall apply to the extent that any such discrimination is a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim.”, and

(d) in subsection (3)(7), after “discrimination” (in each place where it occurs), insert “or harassment”.

### **Excluded matters**

9.—(1) After section 35 (further exceptions from sections 29(1) and 30) insert—

#### **“35ZA Excluded matters**

Each of the following is an excluded matter for the purposes of sections 29 to 31—

- (a) education (including vocational training);
- (b) the content of media and advertisements;
- (c) the provision of goods, facilities or services (not normally provided on a commercial basis) at a place (permanently or for the time being) occupied or used for the purposes of an organised religion.”.

(2) In section 5 (interpretation), after subsection (3) insert—

(6) Section 35(1) was amended by the Social Security Act 1980 (c.30), section 20, Schedule 4, paragraph 11.

(7) The Table in section 35(3) was amended by S.I. 2005/2467.

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“(4) In this Act, references to an excluded matter must be construed in accordance with section 35ZA.”.

(3) In section 82 (general interpretation provisions), after the definition of “estate agent” insert—  
““excluded matter” shall be construed in accordance with section 5(4);”.

### **Relationships which have come to an end**

**10.** In section 35C(8) (relationships which have come to an end), in subsection (2), before paragraph (a) insert—

“(za) sections 29 to 31, except in so far as they relate to an excluded matter.”.

### **Charities**

**11.** In section 43(9) (charities), after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) But subsection (1) does not apply to discrimination under section 1 or 2A in its application to sections 29 to 31 unless the conferral of benefits is—

- (a) a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim, or
- (b) for the purpose of preventing or compensating for a disadvantage linked to sex.”.

### **Sport**

**12.** At the end of section 44 (sport etc) (which becomes subsection (1)) insert—

“(2) Subsection (1) applies to discrimination under sections 29 to 31 which falls within section 2A, only if the discrimination is necessary to secure—

- (a) fair competition, or
- (b) the safety of competitors,

at such events.”.

### **Insurance**

**13.** At the end of section 45 (insurance) (which becomes subsection (1)) insert—

“(2) In the case of discrimination under section 29, 30 or 31, subsection (1) applies only in so far as that section relates to—

- (a) an excluded matter; or
- (b) differences in premiums and benefits applicable to a person under a contract of insurance or related financial services entered into before the appropriate date.

(3) Despite subsection (2), the treatment is not unlawful under section 29(1) if—

- (a) in the case of discrimination under a contract entered into on or after the appropriate date which relates to differences in premiums and benefits, each of the following conditions is satisfied—
  - (i) the use of sex as a factor in the assessment of risk is based on relevant and accurate actuarial and statistical data;
  - (ii) the data referred to in subparagraph (i) are compiled, published (whether in full or in summary form) and regularly updated in accordance with guidance issued by the Treasury;

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(8) Section 35C was inserted by [S.I. 2003/1657](#). Section 35C(4) was inserted by [S.I. 2005/2467](#).

(9) Section 43 was amended by [S.I. 1977/528](#).

- (iii) the differences in treatment are proportionate having regard to the data mentioned in subparagraph (i);
  - (iv) the differences do not result from costs related to pregnancy or to the fact that a woman has given birth at any time in the period of 26 weeks ending on the day the treatment occurs or begins; or
  - (b) insurance or related financial services are provided only to members of one sex in relation to risks which only affect that sex.
- (4) Subsection (3)(a) applies to discrimination under section 2A as if, in subsection (1) of that section, after “other persons” there were inserted “of B’s sex”.
- (5) For the purposes of this section, “the appropriate date” means the date on which the Sex Discrimination (Amendment of Legislation) Regulations 2008 came into force.”

### **Communal accommodation**

- 14.** In section 46 (communal accommodation) —
- (a) in subsection (4)—
    - (i) at the end of paragraph (b) insert “; and”, and
    - (ii) after that paragraph insert—
      - “(c) in respect of discrimination falling within section 2A, whether and how far such discrimination is a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim.”.
  - (b) in subsection (8), for “section 35(1)(c)” substitute “section 35(1) and (1C)”.

### **Acts done for purposes of protection of women**

- 15.** In section 51(10) (acts done for purposes of protection of women)—
- (a) after subsection (1)(a) insert—
    - “(aa) sections 35A and 35B,”;
  - (b) at the beginning of subsection (1)(b) insert “the remainder of”.

### **Acts done under statutory authority**

- 16.** In section 51A(11) (acts done under statutory authority to be exempt from certain provisions of Part 3)—
- (a) in subsection (1), before paragraph (a) insert—
    - “(za) sections 21A to 27, 32 and 33,”;
  - (b) in subsection (2), for “except so far as they apply to vocational training” substitute “(except sections 21A to 27, 32 and 33) in so far as they relate to an excluded matter”.

### **Burden of proof**

- 17.—**(1) In section 66A(12) (burden of proof: county and sheriff courts), subsection (2), for paragraph (a) substitute—

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(10) Section 51 was amended by the Employment Act 1989 (c.38), section 3(1).

(11) Section 51A was amended by the Employment Act 1989, section 3(2).

(12) Section 66A was inserted by S.I. 2001/2660. Section 66A(2)(a) was amended by S.I. 2005/2467.

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- “(a) has committed an act of discrimination or harassment against the claimant which is unlawful by virtue of—
- (i) section 29, 30 or 31, or
  - (ii) any other provision of Part 3 so far as it applies to vocational training, or”.

**Time for answering questions from aggrieved persons**

**18.** In section 74(13) (help for aggrieved persons in obtaining information etc), after subsection (2A)(a)(i) insert—

- “(ia) section 29, 30 or 31, except in so far as it relates to an excluded matter,”.

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(13) Section 74(2A) was inserted by [S.I. 2005/2467](#).