



# Museums and Galleries Admission Charges Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 73

An Act to remove impediments to the making of charges for admission to the national museums and galleries in Great Britain. [26th October 1972]

**Annotations:**

**Commencement Information**

**II** Act wholly in force at Royal Assent.

**1 Liberty to charge for admission.**

- (1) Notwithstanding anything in any enactment, the trustees or other governing body of any of the institutions mentioned below may make such charges for admission to any museum or gallery as they may determine.

The institutions to which this subsection applies are—

- (a) the British Museum;
- <sup>[F1]</sup>(b) the Natural History Museum;
- (c) the <sup>[F2]</sup>National Museums of Scotland;
- (d) the National Galleries of Scotland.

- (2) In so far as the provisions of any enactment, contract, trust deed or other instrument are, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, inconsistent with the making of charges for admission to—

- (a) the <sup>[F2]</sup>National Museums of Scotland;
- (b) the National Galleries of Scotland;
- (c) any museum or gallery in Scotland for which he is responsible;

he may by order vary or revoke such provisions:

Provided that before making an order under this subsection the Secretary of State shall consult the governing body concerned.

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Museums and Galleries Admission Charges Act 1972. (See end of Document for details)

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- (3) The power to make orders under subsection (2) above shall be exercisable by statutory instrument; and any instrument containing such an order shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

**Annotations:**

**Amendments (Textual)**

- F1** S. 1(1)(b) substituted (1.9.1992) by Museums and Galleries Act 1992 (c. 44), s. 11(2), **Sch. 8**, Pt. I, para. 1(6); S.I. 1992/1874, **art.2**
- F2** Words substituted (S.) by National Heritage (Scotland) Act 1985 (c. 16, SIF 78), s. 24, **Sch. 2 Pt. I para. 3**

**2 Short title.**

This Act may be cited as the Museums and Galleries Admission Charges Act 1972.

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