



Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978

1978 CHAPTER 44

PART V

UNFAIR DISMISSAL

Meaning of unfair dismissal

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Textual Amendments

F1 [S. 55](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202)

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Textual Amendments

F2 [S. 56](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202)

F³56A

Textual Amendments

F3 [S. 56A](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978, Cross Heading: Meaning of unfair dismissal. (See end of Document for details)

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Textual Amendments

F4 S. 57 repealed (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 18, ss. 242, 243, Sch. 3 Pt. I (with ss. 191-195, 202)

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Textual Amendments

F5 S. 57A repealed (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 18, ss. 242, 243, Sch. 3 Pt. I (with ss. 191-195, 202)

[F⁶57AA Dismissal of employee representatives.

The dismissal of an employee by an employer shall be regarded for the purposes of this Part as having been unfair if the reason for it (or, if more than one, the principal reason) was that the employee, being—

- (a) an employee representative for the purposes of Chapter II of Part IV of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 or Regulations 10 and 11 of the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 1981, or
- (b) a candidate in an election in which any person elected will, on being elected, be such an employee representative,

performed, or proposed to perform, any functions or activities as such an employee representative or candidate.]

Textual Amendments

F6 S. 57AA inserted (26.10.1995) by S.I. 1995/2587, reg. 14(1)

F⁷58

Textual Amendments

F7 S. 58 repealed (16.10.1992) by Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (c. 52), ss. 300(1), 302, Sch.1 (with savings in Sch. 3 para. 2).

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Textual Amendments

F8 S. 58A repealed by Employment Act 1988 (c. 19, SIF 43:5), s. 33(2), Sch. 4

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Textual Amendments

F9 [S. 59](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202)

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Textual Amendments

F10 [S. 60](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202)

F¹¹**60A**

Textual Amendments

F11 [S. 60A](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202) and subject to an amendment (1.8.1998) by [1998 c. 8](#), s. 1(2) (with s. 16(2)); [S.I. 1998/1658](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1**

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Textual Amendments

F12 [S. 61](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18](#), ss. 242, 243, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with ss. 191-195, 202)

F¹³**62**

Textual Amendments

F13 [S. 62](#) repealed (16.10.1992) by [Trade Union and Labour Relations \(Consolidation\) Act 1992 \(c. 52\)](#), ss. 300(1), 302, **Sch.1** (with savings in Sch. 3 para. 2) and subject to an amendment (1.8.1998) by [1998 c. 8](#), s. 1(2) (with s. 16(2)); [S.I. 1998/1658](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1**

F¹⁴**62A**

Textual Amendments

F14 [S. 62A](#) inserted by [Employment Act 1990 \(c. 38\)](#), s. 9(1) and repealed (16.10.1992) by [Trade Union and Labour Relations \(Consolidation\) Act 1992 \(c. 52\)](#), ss. 300(1), 302, **Sch.1** (with savings in Sch. 3 para. 2).

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F15 **63**

Textual Amendments

F15 **S. 63** repealed (22.8.1996) by [1996 c. 18, ss. 242, 243, Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (with ss. 191-195, 202)

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