

# Companies Act 1985

# **1985 CHAPTER 6**

# PART VII

ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

# CHAPTER III

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

Other interpretation provisions

# [<sup>F1</sup>262A Index of defined expressions.

The following Table shows the provisions of this Part defining or otherwise explaining expressions used in this Part (other than expressions used only in the same section or paragraph)—

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[ <sup>F3</sup> auditable part (of a directors' remuneration report)	section 235(5)]

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banking group <sup>F4</sup>	[ <sup>F5</sup> section 255A(4)] <sup>F4</sup>
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[ <sup>F6</sup> Companies Act accounts	Section 262(1)]
[ <sup>F7</sup> Companies Act group accounts	Sections 227(2) and 255A(6A)]
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credit institution	section 262(1)
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[ <sup>F9</sup> directors' report	section 23]
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[ <sup>F11</sup> financial fixed assets (in Schedule 9)]	[ <sup>F11</sup> paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule]
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[ <sup>F12</sup> "general business" (in Schedule 9A)	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
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[ <sup>F13</sup> group accounts	Section 227(1)]
[ <sup>F14</sup> group directors' report	section 234]
[ <sup>F15</sup> group operating and financial review	section 234AA]
group undertaking	section 259(5)
[ <sup>F16</sup> historical cost accounting rules]	
[ <sup>F16</sup> - in Schedule 4]	[ <sup>F16</sup> paragraph 29 of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F17</sup> —in Schedule 8	paragraph 29 of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F16</sup> -in Schedule 9]	[ <sup>F16</sup> paragraph 39 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F18</sup> —in Schedule 9A	paragraph 20(1) of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F19</sup> IAS accounts	Section 262(1)]
[ <sup>F20</sup> IAS group accounts	Section 227(2) and (3)]
[ <sup>F21</sup> IAS individual accounts	Section 226(2)]
[ <sup>F22</sup> IAS Regulation	Section 262(1)]

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[ <sup>F23</sup> international accounting standards	Section 262(1)]
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[ <sup>F24</sup> -in Schedule 9]	[ <sup>F24</sup> paragraph 86 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F25</sup> —inSchedule 9A	paragraph 85 of Part I of that Schedule]
lease, long lease and short lease— in Schedule 4	paragraph 83 of that Schedule
[ <sup>F24</sup> - in Schedule 9]	[ <sup>F24</sup> paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F26</sup> —inSchedule 9A	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
listed investment—in Schedule 4	paragraph 84 of that Schedule
[ <sup>F27</sup> —in Schedule 8	paragraph 54 of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F28</sup> —in Schedule 9A	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F11</sup> listed security (in Schedule 9)]	[ <sup>F11</sup> paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F12</sup> "long term business" (in Schedule 9A)	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F12</sup> "long term fund" (in Schedule 9A)	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
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[ <sup>F29</sup> operating and financial review	section 234AA]
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participating interest	section 260
[ <sup>F30</sup> pension costs—in Schedule 4	<sup>F30</sup> paragraph 94(2) of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F30</sup> —in Schedule 8	<sup>F30</sup> paragraph 59(2) of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F30</sup> —in Schedule 9	<sup>F30</sup> paragraph 87(b) of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F30</sup> —in Schedule 9A	<sup>F30</sup> paragraph 86(b) of Part I of that Schedule]
period allowed for laying and delivering accounts and reports	section 244
[ <sup>F12</sup> "policy holder" (in Schedule 9A)	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
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[ <sup>F31</sup> (in relation to IAS accounts)	Section 262(1)]

(in relation to a company not trading for profit)	section 262(2)
[ <sup>F12</sup> "provision for unexpired risks" (in Schedule 9A)	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
provision—in Schedule 4	paragraphs 88 and 89 of that Schedule
[ <sup>F32</sup> "—in Schedule 8	paragraphs 57 and 58 of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F24</sup> - in Schedule 9]	[ <sup>F24</sup> paragraph 85 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F33</sup> —in Schedule 9A	paragraph 84 of Part I of that Schedule]
purchase price	section 262(1)
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[ <sup>F34</sup> quoted company	section 262(1)]
realised losses and realised profits	section 262(3)
[ <sup>F11</sup> repayable on demand (in Schedule 9)]	[ <sup>F11</sup> paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F35</sup> reporting accountant	section 249C(1)]
[ <sup>F36</sup> reporting standards and relevant reporting standards	section 256A]
reserve (in [ <sup>F37</sup> Schedule 9A])	paragraph 32 of that Schedule
$[^{F11}$ saleand option to resell transaction (in Schedule 9)]	[ <sup>F11</sup> paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F11</sup> sale and repurchase transaction (in Schedule 9)]	[ <sup>F11</sup> paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule]
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[ <sup>F16</sup> social security costs]	
[ <sup>F16</sup> -in Schedule 4]	[ <sup>F16</sup> paragraph 94(1) and (3) of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F38</sup> —in Schedule 8	paragraph 59(1) and (3) of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F16</sup> - in Schedule 9]	[ <sup>F16</sup> paragraph 87(a) and (c) of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F39</sup> —in Schedule 9A	paragraph 86(a) and (c) of Part I of that Schedule]
special provisions for banking and insurance companies and groups	sections 255 and 255A
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[ <sup>F12</sup> "the 1982 Act" (in Schedule 9A)	paragraph 81 of Part I of that Schedule]
[ <sup>F40</sup> true and fair view	Section 262(2A)]
turnover	section 262(1)
undertaking and related expressions	section 259(1) to (3)]

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#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 New ss. 259–262A inserted (subject to the saving and transitional provisions in S.I. 1990/355, arts. 6–9, Sch. 2) by Companies Act 1989 (c. 40, SIF 27), ss. 1, 22, 213(2) as part of the text inserted in place of ss. 221–262 (as mentioned in s. 1(a) of the 1989 Act)
- F2 S. 262A: entry inserted (22.12.2000) by S.I. 2000/3373, art. 16(2)
- F3 S. 262A: entry inserted (1.8.2002) by The Directors' Remuneration Report Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1986), reg. 10(12)
- F4 Entries in s. 262A repealed (11.2.1994) by S.I. 1994/233, reg. 4(2) (with reg. 7)
- F5 References in s. 262A substituted (2.12.1991) by S.I. 1991/2705, regs. 6, 9, Sch. 2 para. 3(a).
- F6 Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- F7 Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- **F8** Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- F9 S. 262A: entry in table inserted (22.3.2005) by The Companies Act 1985 (Operating and Financial Review and Directors' Report etc.) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1011), reg. 19, Sch. para. 7
- F10 Entry in s. 262A repealed (20.10.1997) by S.I. 1997/2306, reg. 4(4)
- F11 S. 262A: entries inserted (2.12.1991) by S.I. 1991/2705, regs. 6, 9, Sch. 2 para. 3(c).
- F12 Entries in s. 262A inserted (19.12.1993) by S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(a)
- F13 Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- F14 S. 262A: entry in table inserted (22.3.2005) by The Companies Act 1985 (Operating and Financial Review and Directors' Report etc.) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1011), reg. 19, Sch. para. 7
- F15 S. 262A: entry in table inserted (22.3.2005) by The Companies Act 1985 (Operating and Financial Review and Directors' Report etc.) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1011), reg. 19, Sch. para. 7
- F16 S. 262A: entries substituted (2.12.1991) by S.I. 1991/2705, regs. 6, 9, Sch. 2 para. 3(d).
- F17 S. 262A: words in entry relating to "historical cost accounting rules" inserted (1.3.1997) by S.I. 1997/220, reg. 7(6)(a)
- F18 Entry in s. 262A inserted (19.12.1993) by S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(b)
- F19 Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- **F20** Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- F21 Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- **F22** Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- F23 Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(2)
- F24 Words in s. 262A inserted (2.12.1991) by S.I. 1991/2705, regs. 6, 9, Sch. 2 para. 3(e).

- **F25** Entry in s. 262A substituted (19.12.1993) by virtue of S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(c)
- **F26** Entry in s. 262A substituted (19.12.1993) by virtue of S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(d)
- F27 S. 262A: words in entry relating to "listed investment" inserted (1.3.1997) by S.I. 1997/220, reg. 7(6)
  (b)
- **F28** Entry in s. 262A substituted (19.12.1993) by virtue of S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(e)
- F29 S. 262A: entry in table inserted (22.3.2005) by The Companies Act 1985 (Operating and Financial Review and Directors' Report etc.) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1011), reg. 19, Sch. para. 7
- **F30** S. 262A: entry substituted (1.3.1997) by S.I. 1997/220, reg. 7(6)(c)
- **F31** Entry in s. 262A inserted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(3)
- F32 S. 262A: words in entry relating to "provision" inserted (1.3.1997) by S.I. 1997/220, reg. 7(6)(d)
- **F33** Entry in s. 262A substituted (19.12.1993) by virtue of S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(g)
- F34 S. 262A: entry inserted (1.8.2002) by The Directors' Remuneration Report Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1986), reg. 10(12)
- F35 Entry in s. 262A inserted (11.8.1994) by S.I. 1994/1935, reg. 4, Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 3
- F36 S. 262A: entry in table inserted (22.3.2005) by The Companies Act 1985 (Operating and Financial Review and Directors' Report etc.) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1011), reg. 19, Sch. para. 7
- **F37** Words in s. 262A substituted (2.12.1991) by S.I. 1991/2705, regs. 6, 9, Sch. 2 para. 3(b).
- F38 S. 262A: words in entry relating to "social security costs" inserted (1.3.1997) by S.I. 1997/220, reg. 7(6)(e)
- F39 Entry in s. 262A inserted (19.12.1993) by S.I. 1993/3246, regs. 5(1), 6, 7, Sch. 2 para. 5(h)
- F40 Entry in s. 262A substituted (12.11.2004 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Companies Act 1985 (International Accounting Standards and Other Accounting Amendments) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2947), reg. 3, Sch. 1 para. 21(4)

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