



# Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

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### PART I

#### COPYRIGHT

#### CHAPTER IX

##### QUALIFICATION FOR AND EXTENT OF COPYRIGHT PROTECTION

##### *Qualification for copyright protection*

#### **155 Qualification by reference to country of first publication**

- (1) A literary, dramatic, musical or artistic work, a sound recording or film, or the typographical arrangement of a published edition, qualifies for copyright protection if it is first published—
  - (a) in the United Kingdom, or
  - (b) in another country to which the relevant provisions of this Part extend.
- (2) Where, or so far as, provision is made by Order under section 159 (application of this Part to countries to which it does not extend), such a work also qualifies for copyright protection if it is first published in a country to which the Order relates.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, publication in one country shall not be regarded as other than the first publication by reason of simultaneous publication elsewhere; and for this purpose publication elsewhere within the previous 30 days shall be treated as simultaneous.