



# Broadcasting Act 1990

## 1990 CHAPTER 42

### <sup>F1</sup>PART I

#### INDEPENDENT TELEVISION SERVICES

### CHAPTER II

#### TELEVISION BROADCASTING ON CHANNELS 3, 4 AND 5

##### *Channel 3*

#### **14 Establishment of Channel 3.**

- (1) [<sup>F1</sup>OFCOM] shall do all that they can to secure the provision, in accordance with this Chapter, of a nationwide system of television broadcasting services to be known as Channel 3.
- (2) Subject to subsection (5), Channel 3 shall be structured on a regional basis, with each of the services comprised within it (“Channel 3 services”) being provided for such area in the United Kingdom as [<sup>F1</sup>OFCOM] may determine in the case of that service.
- (3) If it appears to [<sup>F1</sup>OFCOM] that it would be appropriate for a particular Channel 3 service to do so, they may determine that the service shall include the provision of different programmes—
  - (a) for such different parts of the area for which it is provided, or
  - (b) for such different communities living within that area,as they may determine.
- (4) If [<sup>F1</sup>OFCOM] so determine in the case of a particular Channel 3 service, that service shall be provided for a particular area only between such times of the day or on such days of the week (or both) as [<sup>F1</sup>OFCOM] may determine.

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(5) If [<sup>F1</sup>OFCOM] so determine, a Channel 3 service may be provided for two or more areas for which regional Channel 3 services are provided, but any such service may only be so provided between particular times of the day.

(6) In this Part—

“regional Channel 3 service” means a Channel 3 service provided for a particular area determined under subsection (2); and

“national Channel 3 service” means a Channel 3 service provided as mentioned in subsection (5).

<sup>F2</sup>(7) .....

[<sup>F3</sup>(7A) The areas mentioned in subsection (2) must at all times include at least one area that comprises, or falls entirely within, Scotland.]

(8) In this section and section 15 “programme” does not include an advertisement.

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F1** Words in s. 14 substituted (29.12.2003) by [Communications Act 2003 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 411(2), [Sch. 15 para. 6](#) (with [Sch. 18](#)); [S.I. 2003/3142](#), art. 3(1), [Sch. 1](#) (with art. 11)

**F2** [S. 14\(7\)](#) repealed (8.6.2010) by [Digital Economy Act 2010 \(c. 24\)](#), ss. 24(1)(a), 47(1), [Sch. 2](#)

**F3** [S. 14\(7A\)](#) inserted (8.6.2010) by [Digital Economy Act 2010 \(c. 24\)](#), [ss. 24\(1\)\(b\)](#), 47(1)

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C1** Pt. I: transfer of functions (29.12.2003) by [Communications Act 2003 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 411(2), [Sch. 1 para. 3\(a\)](#) (with [Sch. 18](#)); [S.I. 2003/3142](#), art. 3(1), [Sch. 1](#) (with art. 11)

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