



# Broadcasting Act 1990

## 1990 CHAPTER 42

### PART VI

#### THE BROADCASTING STANDARDS COUNCIL

#### **152 Preparation by Council of code relating to broadcasting standards**

- (1) It shall be the duty of the Council to draw up, and from time to time review, a code giving guidance as to—
  - (a) practices to be followed in connection with the portrayal of violence in programmes to which this Part applies,
  - (b) practices to be followed in connection with the portrayal of sexual conduct in such programmes, and
  - (c) standards of taste and decency for such programmes generally.
- (2) This Part applies to—
  - (a) any television or sound programme broadcast by the BBC;
  - (b) any television programme broadcast by the Welsh Authority; and
  - (c) any television or sound programme included in a licensed service.
- (3) It shall be the duty of each broadcasting or regulatory body, when drawing up or revising any code relating to standards and practice for programmes, to reflect the general effect of so much of the code referred to in subsection (1) (as for the time being in force) as is relevant to the programmes in question.
- (4) The Council shall from time to time publish the code referred to in subsection (1) (as for the time being in force).
- (5) Before drawing up or revising the code the Council shall consult—
  - (a) each broadcasting or regulatory body; and
  - (b) such other persons as appear to the Council to be appropriate.