



Broadcasting Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 55

PART IV

SPORTING AND OTHER EVENTS OF NATIONAL INTEREST

99 Contract for exclusive right to televise listed event to be void

- (1) Any contract entered into after the commencement of this section under which a television programme provider acquires rights to televise the whole or any part of a listed event live for reception in the United Kingdom, or in any area of the United Kingdom, shall be void so far as it purports, in relation to the whole or any part of the event or in relation to reception in the United Kingdom or any area of the United Kingdom, to grant those rights exclusively to any one television programme provider.
- (2) In this Part “television programme provider” means the BBC, the Welsh Authority or any person who is the holder of any licence under Part I of the 1990 Act or a digital programme licence under Part I of this Act.
- (3) For the purposes of this section rights to televise the whole or any part of an event live for reception in any area granted to a television programme provider are granted exclusively if the person granting them—
 - (a) has not granted any such right to any other television programme provider, and
 - (b) is precluded by the terms of the contract from doing so.