



Access to Justice Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 22

An Act to establish the Legal Services Commission, the Community Legal Service and the Criminal Defence Service; to amend the law of legal aid in Scotland; to make further provision about legal services; to make provision about appeals, courts, judges and court proceedings; to amend the law about magistrates and magistrates' courts; and to make provision about immunity from action and costs and indemnities for certain officials exercising judicial functions. [27th July 1999]

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Act extended (22.5.2000) by [S.I. 2000/1119](#), reg. 14, [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#)

Changes to legislation:

Access to Justice Act 1999, Introductory Text is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 12 December 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 2 para. 2(5) and word inserted by [2009 c. 25 s. 51\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 51 repealed (1.4.2013) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 10, Sch. 5 Pt. 2; S.I. 2013/453, art. 3(h))
- Sch. 2 para. 2(3)(m)(n) inserted by [2009 c. 26 Sch. 7 para. 65\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 7 para. 65 repealed (1.4.2013) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 10, s. 151(1), Sch. 5 Pt. 2; S.I. 2013/453, art. 3(h)1/4/2013 (with savings and transitional provisions in S.I. 2013/534, art. 6))
- Sch. 2 para. 3(1)(aa) inserted by [2009 c. 26 Sch. 7 para. 65\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 7 para. 65 repealed (1.4.2013) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 10, s. 151(1), Sch. 5 Pt. 2; S.I. 2013/453, art. 3(h)1/4/2013 (with savings and transitional provisions in S.I. 2013/534, art. 6))
- Sch. 2 para. 3(1)(da)(db) inserted by [2009 c. 26 Sch. 7 para. 65\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 7 para. 65 repealed (1.4.2013) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 10, s. 151(1), Sch. 5 Pt. 2; S.I. 2013/453, art. 3(h)1/4/2013 (with savings and transitional provisions in S.I. 2013/534, art. 6))