



# Equality Act 2010

## 2010 CHAPTER 15

### PART 2

#### EQUALITY: KEY CONCEPTS

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#### PROHIBITED CONDUCT

##### *Other prohibited conduct*

## 27 Victimisation

- (1) A person (A) victimises another person (B) if A subjects B to a detriment because—
  - (a) B does a protected act, or
  - (b) A believes that B has done, or may do, a protected act.
- (2) Each of the following is a protected act—
  - (a) bringing proceedings under this Act;
  - (b) giving evidence or information in connection with proceedings under this Act;
  - (c) doing any other thing for the purposes of or in connection with this Act;
  - (d) making an allegation (whether or not express) that A or another person has contravened this Act.
- (3) Giving false evidence or information, or making a false allegation, is not a protected act if the evidence or information is given, or the allegation is made, in bad faith.
- (4) This section applies only where the person subjected to a detriment is an individual.
- (5) The reference to contravening this Act includes a reference to committing a breach of an equality clause or rule.

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#### Annotations:

#### Commencement Information

- II** [S. 27](#) wholly in force; [s. 27](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 216](#); [s. 27](#) in force at 1.10.2010 by [S.I. 2010/2317](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(2\)\(f\)](#) (with [art. 15](#), and subject to transitional provision in [art. 8](#))

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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):

- Pt. 12 Ch. 2A inserted by [2017 c. 21 s. 17\(1\)](#)
- s. 1(2A)(aa) inserted by [2017 c. 4 s. 45\(2\)](#)
- s. 208(5)(fa) inserted by [2017 c. 21 s. 17\(3\)](#)
- s. 216(6)(7) inserted by [2017 c. 4 s. 45\(6\)](#)