



# Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013

## 2013 CHAPTER 10

### *Conduct of business*

#### **11 Verification of supplier's identity**

- (1) A scrap metal dealer must not receive scrap metal from a person without verifying the person's full name and address.
- (2) That verification must be by reference to documents, data or other information obtained from a reliable and independent source.
- (3) The Secretary of State may prescribe in regulations—
  - (a) documents, data or other information which are sufficient for the purpose of subsection (2);
  - (b) documents, data or other information which are not sufficient for that purpose.
- (4) If a scrap metal dealer receives scrap metal in breach of subsection (1), each of the following is guilty of an offence—
  - (a) the scrap metal dealer;
  - (b) if the metal is received at a site, the site manager;
  - (c) any person who, under arrangements made by a person within paragraph (a) or (b), has responsibility for verifying the name and address.
- (5) It is a defence for a person within subsection (4)(a) or (b) who is charged with an offence under subsection (4) to prove that the person—
  - (a) made arrangements to ensure that the metal was not received in breach of subsection (1), and
  - (b) took all reasonable steps to ensure that those arrangements were complied with.
- (6) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (4) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

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- (7) A person who, on delivering scrap metal to a scrap metal dealer, gives a false name or false address is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.