



Digital Economy Act 2017

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PART 3

ONLINE PORNOGRAPHY

18 Regulator's power to require information

- (1) The age-verification regulator may by notice require a relevant person to provide it with any information which it requires for the purpose of exercising, or deciding whether to exercise, any function under this Part.
- (2) The power in subsection (1) may only be exercised to require a relevant person to provide information which the age-verification regulator believes the relevant person has.
- (3) A “relevant person” is—
 - (a) an internet service provider, or
 - (b) any other person who the age-verification regulator believes to be involved, or to have been involved, in making pornographic material available on the internet on a commercial basis to persons in the United Kingdom.
- (4) A notice under subsection (1) must specify—
 - (a) the form and manner in which the information must be provided; and
 - (b) the time at which, or period within which, the information must be provided.
- (5) The power in subsection (1) is not exercisable in relation to information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege (or, in Scotland, confidentiality of communications) could be maintained in legal proceedings.