

Recorded Delivery Service Act 1962

1962 CHAPTER 27

2 Application and interpretation.

(1) Subject to the next following subsection, this Act applies to the following enactments, that is to say,—

- (a) the provisions of any Act (whether public general, local or private) passed before or in the same Session as this Act;
- (b) the provisions of any Church Assembly Measure so passed;
- (c) the provisions of any agricultural marketing scheme made under the Agricultural Marketing Act, 1958, before the passing of this Act or having effect as if made under that Act;

and, in the case of a provision which has been applied by or under any other enactment passed, or any instrument made under any enactment passed, before or in the same Session as this Act, applies to that provision as so applied, subject, however, in the case of an instrument made after the passing of this Act to any contrary intention appearing therein; and references in this Act (except this section) to any enactment shall be construed accordingly.

(2) This Act does not apply—

- (a) to subsection (2) of section nine of the Crown Proceedings Act, 1947 (which enables proceedings to be brought against the Crown for loss of or damage to registered inland postal packets);
- (b) to any enactment which, either as originally enacted or as amended by any subsequent enactment, requires or authorises a thing to be sent by the recorded delivery service as an alternative to registered post or makes provision in relation to a thing sent by that service;
- (c) to the provisions of any Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland or of any local or private Act which extends only to Northern Ireland.
- (3) In this Act—

references to sending a document or other thing include references to serving, executing, giving or delivering it or doing any similar thing ;

references to sending any thing by registered post include references to sending it by or in a registered letter or packet, whether the references are expressed in those terms or terms having the like effect and whether or not there is any mention of the post or pre-payment;

references to any thing sent by registered post or the recorded delivery service shall be construed accordingly; and

references to a local Act include references to any Act confirming a provisional order or scheme.