Printer's Imprint Act 1961

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An Act to make provision for relaxing certain requirements of the Newspapers, Printers, and Reading Rooms Repeal Act 1869. [22nd June 1961]

1 Relaxation of requirements as to printer's imprint, etc.

(1) Nothing in the [M1]Newspapers, Printers, and Reading Rooms Repeal Act 1869, shall require a printer to print a statement of his name and usual place of abode or business (in this Act referred to as the "printer's imprint") on any paper or book unless the matter printed by him therein comprises either—

(a) words grouped together in a manner calculated to convey a message, other than words calculated to convey only a greeting, invitation or other message in a conventional form; or

(b) a drawing, illustration or other picture, other than a picture representing only a geometrical, floral or other design or a registered trademark or any combination thereof.

(2) Nothing in the said Act of 1869 shall require a printer to preserve or keep, or prohibit any person from publishing or dispersing or assisting in publishing or dispersing, a copy of any paper or book which by virtue of that Act or this Act is not required to bear the printer's imprint.

(3) The exemption conferred by section thirty-one of the [M2]Unlawful Societies Act 1799, as set out in the Second Schedule to the said Act of 1869 (which exempts the printing from engravings or by letterpress of the papers and particulars there mentioned from requirements as to the printer's imprint and the preservation of copies) shall extend to the printing by any process of those papers and particulars and of particulars of the services offered by any person;and accordingly in that section the words "to the impression of any engraving or" and the words "by letter-press" are hereby repealed.

(4) The exemptions conferred by this section shall not prejudice any exemption conferred by the said Act of 1869.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 1(1) extended by Patents, Designs and Marks Act 1986 (c. 39, SIF 67A), s. 2, **Sch. 2 Pt. I para. 1(2)**(*b*)

C2 S. 1(1)(b) amended (31.10.1994) by 1994 c. 26, s. 106(1), **Sch. 4 para. 1(2)**; S.I. 1994/2550, **art. 2**

C3 The text of s. 1(3) from "and accordingly" to the end is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

M1 1869 c. 24.

M2 1799 c. 79.

2 Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Printer's Imprint Act 1961.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Printer's Imprint Act 1961.