
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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CONSUMER PROTECTION

The Unfair Terms in Consumer Contracts Regulations 1999

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THE UNFAIR TERMS IN CONSUMER CONTRACTS REGULATIONS 1999

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SCHEDULE 1 — QUALIFYING BODIES

PART ONE

1. The Data Protection Registrar.
2. The Director General of Electricity Supply.
3. The Director General of Gas Supply.
4. The Director General of Electricity Supply for Northern Ireland.
5. The Director General of Gas for Northern Ireland.
6. The Director General of Telecommunications.

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7. The Director General of Water Services.
 8. The Rail Regulator.
 9. Every weights and measures authority in Great Britain.
 10. The Department of Economic Development in Northern Ireland.
- PART TWO
11. Consumers' Association.

SCHEDULE 2 — INDICATIVE AND NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF TERMS
WHICH MAY BE REGARDED AS UNFAIR

1. Terms which have the object or effect of—
2. Scope of paragraphs 1(g), (j) and (l)

Explanatory Note

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- sch 1 am (with transl provns) by [S.I. 2006/523 reg 2](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 1 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 3 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 4 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 5 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 7 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 8 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 9 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 10 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 11 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 10 words substituted by [S.I. 2013/472 Sch. 2 para. 26\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 1 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 2 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- Regulations applied (temp.) by [2015 c. 15 s. 91\(8\)](#)
- Regulations revoked by [2015 c. 15 Sch. 4 para. 34](#)
- reg. 1 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 2 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 3 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 3 words inserted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 3 words inserted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 3 words inserted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 3(1) word omitted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 3(1) words inserted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 4 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 5 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 6 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
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- reg. 8 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 9 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 10 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 10 substituted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(3\)](#)
- reg. 10 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 11 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 11 omitted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(4\)](#)
- reg. 12 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 12 word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(4\)](#)
- reg. 13 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 13 heading word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(5\)\(d\)](#)
- reg. 13(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(5\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 13(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(5\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 13(1) words inserted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 13(1)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 13(2) words inserted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 13(2)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2013/783 art. 10\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 13(3) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(5\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 13(3) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(5\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 13(6) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 14 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)

- reg. 14 word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 14 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 15 coming into force by [S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1](#)
- reg. 15(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 15(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 15(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 15(2) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 15(2) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
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- reg. 15(3) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 15(3) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(7\)\(c\)\(iii\)](#)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 1 Pt. 1 words substituted by [S.I. 2003/3182 art. 2\(2\)](#)
- Sch 1 Pt One subst by [S.I. 2001/1186 reg 2\(b\)](#)
- reg. 3(1A)(1B) inserted by [S.I. 2004/2095 reg. 24\(2\)](#)
- reg. 5(6)(7) inserted by [S.I. 2004/2095 reg. 24\(3\)](#)
- reg. 5(7) words substituted by [S.I. 2013/472 Sch. 2 para. 26\(a\)](#)
- reg. 8(3) inserted by [S.I. 2013/1865 reg. 13\(6\)](#)
- reg. 10(1)-(5) word substituted by [S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg 16 added by [S.I. 2001/1186 reg 2\(a\)](#)
- art. 16 words substituted by [S.I. 2001/3649 art. 583](#)
- reg. 16 words substituted by [S.I. 2013/472 Sch. 2 para. 26\(b\)](#)