
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 994

**The Deregulation Act 2015 (Commencement No. 1
and Transitional and Saving Provisions) Order 2015**

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Deregulation Act 2015 (Commencement No. 1 and Transitional and Saving Provisions) Order 2015.

(2) In this Order, “the Act” means the Deregulation Act 2015.

Provisions coming into force on 1st April 2015

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 1st April 2015—

- (a) section 48 (provision of advice etc about residential licences);
- (b) section 53 (civil penalties for parking contraventions: enforcement) so far as not already in force⁽¹⁾;
- (c) section 69 (personal licences: no requirement to renew) and Schedule 18 (amendments consequential on section 69).

Provisions coming into force on 6th April 2015

3. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 6th April 2015—

- (a) section 62 (child trust funds: transfers) so far as not already in force⁽²⁾;
- (b) section 63 (child trust funds: safeguards for children’s interests) so far as not already in force⁽³⁾; and
- (c) section 76 (exhibition of films in community premises).

Provisions coming into force on 10th April 2015

4. The day appointed for the coming into force of section 52(a) (reduction of burdens relating to enforcement of transport legislation) and Part 1 of Schedule 11 (drink and drug driving offences) is 10th April 2015.

Provisions coming into force on 20th April 2015

5. The day appointed for the coming into force, so far as not already in force⁽⁴⁾, of section 90 of and Schedule 21 to the Act, (poisons and explosive precursors) is 20th April 2015, but only for the

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purposes of enabling applications for licenses under section 4A of the Poisons Act 1972 to be made, considered and determined, and of enabling such licenses to be issued, before 26th May 2015.

Provisions coming into force on 26th May 2015

6. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 26th May 2015—

- (a) section 3 (apprenticeships: simplification) and Part 1 of Schedule 1 (approved English apprenticeships), so far as not already in force⁽⁵⁾, and Part 2 of Schedule 1 (consequential amendments);
- (b) section 4 (English apprenticeships: funding arrangements);
- (c) section 5 (English apprenticeships: disclosure of information);
- (d) section 14 (shippers etc of gas);
- (e) section 44 (short-term use of London accommodation: relaxation of restrictions);
- (f) section 45 (short-term use of London accommodation: power to relax restrictions);
- (g) section 59(c) (other measures relating to animals, food and the environment) and Part 3 of Schedule 13 (joint waste authorities);
- (h) section 68 (temporary event notices: increase in maximum number of events per year);
- (i) section 70 (sale of liqueur confectionery to children under 16: abolition of offence);
- (j) section 72 (removal of requirement to report loss or theft of licence etc to police);
- (k) section 77 (TV licensing: duty to review sanctions);
- (l) section 78 (TV licensing: alternatives to criminal sanctions);
- (m) section 80 (criminal procedure: written witness statements);
- (n) section 81 (criminal procedure: written guilty pleas);
- (o) section 82 (criminal procedure: powers to make Criminal Procedure Rules);
- (p) section 90 and Schedule 21 (poisons and explosive precursors), so far as not already in force⁽⁶⁾;
- (q) section 93 (reduction in regulation of providers of social work services);
- (r) section 96 (NHS foundation trusts and NHS trusts; acquisitions and dissolutions etc).

Provisions coming into force on 8th June 2015

7. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 8th June 2015—

- (a) section 8(1), (3) and (4), Part 2 of Schedule 2, so far as not already in force⁽⁷⁾, and paragraphs 30, 32 and 33 of Part 3 of Schedule 2 (driving instructors);
- (b) section 51(f) (reduction of burdens relating to the use of roads and railways) and Part 6 (testing of vehicles) of Schedule 10 (regulation of the use of roads and railways) so far as not already in force⁽⁸⁾.

(5) By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act.

(6))By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act and article 5 of this Order.

(7) By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act.

(8) By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act.

Provisions coming into force on 15th June 2015

8. The day appointed for the coming into force, so far as not already in force⁽⁹⁾, of section 58 (household waste: de-criminalisation) and Schedule 12 (household waste: London) is 15th June 2015.

Provisions coming into force on 30th June 2015

9. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 30th June 2015—

- (a) section 9 (motor insurers) and Schedule 3 (motor insurance industry: certificates of insurance);
- (b) section 51(b) (reduction of burdens relating to the use of roads and railways) and Part 2 of Schedule 10 (permit schemes: removal of requirement for Secretary of State approval), so far as not already in force ⁽¹⁰⁾.

Provisions coming into force on 1st July 2015

10. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 1st July 2015—

- (a) section 37 (prescribed form of section 21 notices);
- (b) section 38 (compliance with prescribed legal requirements), so far as is necessary for enabling the exercise on or after that day of any power to make provision by regulations made by statutory instrument;
- (c) section 39 (requirement for landlord to provide prescribed information), so far as is necessary for enabling the exercise on or after that day of any power to make provision by regulations made by statutory instrument.

Provisions coming into force on 1st October 2015

11. The day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act is 1st October 2015—

- (a) section 2 (removal of employment tribunals' power to make wider recommendations);
- (b) section 6 (requirements to wear safety helmets: exemption for Sikhs);
- (c) section 7 (requirements to wear safety helmets: exemption for Sikhs: Northern Ireland);
- (d) section 10 (taxis and private hire vehicles: duration of licences);
- (e) section 11 (private hire vehicles: sub-contracting);
- (f) section 12 (space activity: limit on indemnity required);
- (g) section 33 (preventing retaliatory eviction in relation to assured shorthold tenancies);
- (h) section 34 (further exemptions to section 33);
- (i) section 35 (notice to be provided in relation to periodic assured shorthold tenancies);
- (j) section 36 (time limits in relation to section 21 notices and proceedings);
- (k) section 38 (compliance with prescribed legal requirements), so far as not already in force⁽¹¹⁾;

⁽⁹⁾ By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act.

⁽¹⁰⁾ By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act.

⁽¹¹⁾ By virtue of article 10 of this Order.

- (l) section 39 (requirement for landlord to provide prescribed information), so far as not already in force⁽¹²⁾;
- (m) section 40 (repayment of rent where tenancy ends before end of a period);
- (n) section 41(application of sections 33 to 40);
- (o) section 49 (removal of restrictions on provision of passenger rail services) and Schedule 8 (provision of passenger rail services), so far as not already in force⁽¹³⁾;
- (p) Section 51(g) (reduction of burdens relating to the use of roads and railways) and Part 7 of Schedule 10 (rail vehicle accessibility regulations: exemption orders).

Saving provision – sections 6 and 7

12.—(1) The coming into force of sections 6(1) to (10) and 7(1) to (8) of the Act does not affect—

- (a) any right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred immediately before 1st October 2015;
- (b) any penalty, forfeiture or punishment incurred in respect of any offence committed before 1st October 2015; or
- (c) any investigation, legal proceeding or remedy in respect of (a) or (b) above,

and any such investigation, legal proceeding or remedy may be instituted, continued or enforced, and any such penalty, forfeiture or punishment may be imposed as if those provisions of the Act had not been commenced.

(2) The coming into force of sections 6(11) to (13) and sections 7(9) to (11) does not affect the application of section 12 of the Employment Act 1989⁽¹⁴⁾ or Article 13A of the Employment (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1990⁽¹⁵⁾ (as the case may be) in relation to—

- (a) any provision, criterion or practice applied to a Sikh; or
- (b) any special treatment afforded to a Sikh,

before 1st October 2015.

Transitional Provision

13. The transitional provisions in the Schedule in respect of section 2, sections 3 to 5 and Parts 1 and 2 of Schedule 1, sections 8(1), (3) and (4) and Parts 2 and 3 of Schedule 2, and section 51(f) and Part 6 of Schedule 10 have effect from the commencement of the sections and Schedules to which the transitional provision relates.

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27th March 2015

⁽¹²⁾ By virtue of article 10 of this Order.

⁽¹³⁾ By virtue of section 115(2) of the Act.

⁽¹⁴⁾ 1989 c.38. Section 12 was amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 26 to the Equality Act 2010 (c.15). Paragraph 5 of Schedule 26 to that Act was subsequently renumbered by S.I. 2010/2279, and is now paragraph 15 of Part 1 of Schedule 26.

⁽¹⁵⁾ S.I. 1990/246 (N.I.2). Article 13A was inserted by paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to S.I. 1997/869 (N.I.6), and subsequently amended by article 57 of S.R. (NI) 2003/341.