



# Fair Trading Act 1973

## 1973 CHAPTER 41

### PART I

#### INTRODUCTORY

**F<sup>1</sup> Director General of Fair Trading.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F1** S. 1 repealed (1.4.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch. (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended (20.7.2007) by S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3(2), Sch.)

**F<sup>2</sup> General functions of Director.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F2** S. 2 repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8)

**F<sup>3</sup> Consumer Protection Advisory Committee.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F3** S. 3 repealed (1.4.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), ss. 10(1)(a), 279, Sch. 26; S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch. (with art. 3) (as amended (20.7.2007) by S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3(2), Sch. and see transitional provisions in S.I. 2003/1397, arts. 6, 8)

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**Textual Amendments**

**F4** S. 4 repealed (1.4.1999) by 1998 c. 41, s. 74(1)(3), Sch. 12 para. 1(2), Sch. 14 Pt. I (with s. 73); S.I. 1999/505, art. 2, Sch. 2

**5 Principal functions of Commission.**

(1) Without prejudice to any other functions assigned to the Commission by or under this Act, it shall be the duty of the Commission, subject to and in accordance with the following provisions of this Act, to investigate and report on any question which may be referred to the Commission under this Act—

- F5**(a) .....
- (b) with respect to a transfer of a newspaper or of newspaper assets (within the meaning of Part V of this Act), **F6**...
- F6**(c) .....

(2) It shall be the duty of [**F7**the Office of Fair Trading], for the purpose of assisting the Commission in carrying out an investigation on a reference made to them under this Act, to give to the Commission—

- (a) any information which is in [**F8**its] possession and which relates to matters falling within the scope of the investigation, and which is either requested by the Commission for that purpose or is information which in [**F8**its] opinion it would be appropriate for that purpose to give to the Commission without any such request, and
- (b) any other assistance which the Commission may require, and which it is within [**F8**its] power to give, in relation to any such matters,

and the Commission, for the purpose of carrying out any such investigation, shall take account of any information given to them for that purpose under this subsection.

**F9**(3) .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F5** S. 5(1)(a) repealed (20.6.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), s. 279, Sch. 26; S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), Sch. (with arts. 6, 8)

**F6** S. 5(1)(c) and preceding word repealed (20.6.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), s. 279, Sch. 26; S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), Sch. (with arts. 6, 8)

**F7** Words in s. 5(2) substituted (1.4.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), s. 279, Sch. 25 para. 5(2)(a); S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch. (with art. 3) (as amended (20.7.2007) by S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3(2), Sch.)

**F8** Word in s. 5(2) substituted (1.4.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), s. 279, Sch. 25 para. 5(2)(b); S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch. (with art. 3) (as amended (20.7.2007) by S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3(2), Sch.)

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**F9** S. 5(3) repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8)

**F10<sup>6</sup> Monopoly situation in relation to supply of goods.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 6-11 repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8, 11)

**F10<sup>7</sup> Monopoly situation in relation to supply of services.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 6-11 repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8, 11)

**F10<sup>8</sup> Monopoly situation in relation to exports.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 6-11 repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8, 11)

**F10<sup>9</sup> Monopoly situation limited to part of United Kingdom.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 6-11 repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8, 11)

**F10<sup>10</sup> Supplementary provisions relating to ss. 6 to 9.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 6-11 repealed (20.6.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\)](#), s. 279, [Sch. 26](#); S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), [Sch.](#) (with arts. 6, 8, 11)

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**F10 11 Meaning of “complex monopoly situation”.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 6-11 repealed (20.6.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), s. 279, Sch. 26; S.I. 2003/1397, art. 2(1), Sch. (with arts. 6, 8, 11)

**F11 12 Powers of Secretary of State in relation to functions of Director.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F11** S. 12 repealed (1.4.2003) by Enterprise Act 2002 (c. 40), ss. 9, 279, Sch. 26; S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch. (with art. 3) (as amended (20.7.2007) by S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3(2), Sch.)

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