



Estate Agents Act 1979

1979 CHAPTER 38

Supervision, enforcement, publicity etc.

25 General duties of [F¹OFT] .

- (1) Subject to section 26(3) below, it is the duty of the [F¹OFT] —
 - (a) generally to superintend the working and enforcement of this Act, and
 - (b) where necessary or expedient, [F²itself] to take steps to enforce this Act.
- (2) It is the duty of the [F¹OFT] , so far as appears to [F³it] to be practicable and having regard both to the national interest and the interests of persons engaged in estate agency work and of consumers, to keep under review and from time to time advise the Secretary of State about—
 - (a) social and commercial developments in the United Kingdom and elsewhere relating to the carrying on of estate agency work and related activities; and
 - (b) the working and enforcement of this Act.
- (3) The [F¹OFT] shall arrange for the dissemination, in such form and manner as [F⁴it] considers appropriate, of such information and advice as it may appear to [F³it] expedient to give the public in the United Kingdom about the operation of this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in s. 25 substituted (1.4.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\), s. 279, Sch. 25 para. 9\(12\)\(a\)](#); [S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch.](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended (20.7.2007) by [S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3\(2\), Sch.](#))
- F2** Word in s. 25(1) substituted (1.4.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\), s. 279, Sch. 25 para. 9\(12\)\(b\)](#); [S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch.](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended (20.7.2007) by [S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3\(2\), Sch.](#))
- F3** Word in s. 25(2)(3) substituted (1.4.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\), s. 279, Sch. 25 para. 9\(12\)\(c\)](#); [S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch.](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended (20.7.2007) by [S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3\(2\), Sch.](#)); [S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch.](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended (20.7.2007) by [S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3\(2\), Sch.](#))
- F4** Word in s. 25(3) substituted (1.4.2003) by [Enterprise Act 2002 \(c. 40\), s. 279, Sch. 25 para. 9\(12\)\(d\)](#); [S.I. 2003/766, art. 2, Sch.](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended (20.7.2007) by [S.I. 2007/1846, reg. 3\(2\), Sch.](#))

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/04/2003. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

Estate Agents Act 1979, Section 25 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 07 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.