



Broadcasting Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 42

PART III

INDEPENDENT RADIO SERVICES

CHAPTER I

REGULATION BY AUTHORITY OF INDEPENDENT RADIO SERVICES GENERALLY

[^{F1}Digital switchover

[^{F1}97A Date for digital switchover

- (1) The Secretary of State may give notice to OFCOM nominating a date for digital switchover for the post-commencement services specified or described in the notice.
- (2) When nominating a date, or considering whether to nominate a date, the Secretary of State must have regard to any report submitted by OFCOM or the BBC under section 67(1)(b) of the Broadcasting Act 1996 (review of digital radio broadcasting).
- (3) The Secretary of State—
 - (a) may nominate different dates for different services, and
 - (b) may give notice to OFCOM withdrawing a nomination under this section.
- (4) In this section and section 97B—

“date for digital switchover”, in relation to a post-commencement service, means a date after which it will cease to be appropriate for the service to continue to be provided in analogue form;

“post-commencement service” means a local service, national service or additional service that is provided under a licence that—

 - (a) was granted on or after the day on which this section comes into force, or
 - (b) has been renewed under section 103B or 104AA.]

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Broadcasting Act 1990, Section 97A. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 97A 97B and cross-heading inserted (8.4.2010) by [Digital Economy Act 2010 \(c. 24\)](#), [ss. 30\(2\)](#), 47(2)(b)

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