



# Data Protection Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 29

### PART VI

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

##### *Functions of Commissioner*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>52C Alteration or replacement of [<sup>F2</sup>data-sharing and direct marketing codes]**

- (1) The Commissioner—
  - (a) must keep the data-sharing code [<sup>F3</sup>and the direct marketing code] under review, and
  - (b) [<sup>F4</sup>in either case, may prepare an alteration to the code] or a replacement code.
- (2) Where, by virtue of a review under subsection (1)(a) or otherwise, the Commissioner becomes aware that the terms of the code could result in the United Kingdom being in breach of any of its [<sup>F5</sup>EU] obligations or any other international obligation, the Commissioner must exercise the power under subsection (1)(b) with a view to remedying the situation.
- (3) Before an alteration or replacement code is prepared under subsection (1), the Commissioner must consult such of the following as the Commissioner considers appropriate—
  - (a) trade associations (within the meaning of section 51);
  - (b) data subjects;
  - (c) persons who appear to the Commissioner to represent the interests of data subjects.
- (4) Section 52B (other than subsection (6)) applies to an alteration or replacement code prepared under this section as it applies to the code as first prepared under section 52A [<sup>F6</sup>or 52AA].

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- (5) In this section “the data-sharing code” <sup>F7</sup>and “the direct marketing code” mean the codes respectively prepared under sections 52A and 52AA and] issued under section 52B(5) (as altered or replaced from time to time).]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 52A-52E inserted (1.2.2010) by [Coroners and Justice Act 2009 \(c. 25\)](#), **ss. 174(1)**, 175, 182 (with s. 180); [S.I. 2010/145](#), **art. 2**, Sch. para. 16
- F2** Words in s. 52C heading substituted (27.6.2017) by [Digital Economy Act 2017 \(c. 30\)](#), **ss. 96(4)**, 118(2)
- F3** Words in s. 52C(1)(a) inserted (27.6.2017) by [Digital Economy Act 2017 \(c. 30\)](#), **ss. 96(6)(a)**, 118(2)
- F4** Words in s. 52C(1)(b) substituted (27.6.2017) by [Digital Economy Act 2017 \(c. 30\)](#), **ss. 96(6)(b)**, 118(2)
- F5** Word in s. 52C(2) substituted (22.4.2011) by virtue of [The Treaty of Lisbon \(Changes in Terminology\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/1043\)](#), **art. 6(1)** (with application as mentioned in art. 3(3))
- F6** Words in s. 52C(4) inserted (27.6.2017) by [Digital Economy Act 2017 \(c. 30\)](#), **ss. 96(6)(c)**, 118(2)
- F7** Words in s. 52C(5) substituted (27.6.2017) by [Digital Economy Act 2017 \(c. 30\)](#), **ss. 96(6)(d)**, 118(2)

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