*These notes refer to the Communications Act 2003* (c.21) which received Royal Assent on 17 July 2003

# **COMMUNICATIONS ACT 2003**

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### Part 2: Networks, Services and the Radio Spectrum

## **Chapter 2:** Spectrum Use

#### Section 158: Special duty in relation to television multiplexes

359. If OFCOM reserve frequencies for the broadcasting of television programmes, they are under a duty, so far as practicable, to secure that sufficient multiplex capacity is available for qualifying services on television multiplexes licensed under the Broadcasting Act 1996. This is in accordance with condition 1 of Part B of the Annex to the Authorisation Directive.

\*qualifying service has the same meaning as is given in section 2 of the Broadcasting Act 1996.