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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 2083

The Unfair Terms in Consumer Contracts Regulations 1999

PROSPECTIVE

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the Community” means the European Community;

“consumer” means any natural person who, in contracts covered by these Regulations, is acting for purposes which are outside his trade, business or profession;

“court” in relation to England and Wales and Northern Ireland means a county court or the High Court, and in relation to Scotland, the Sheriff or the Court of Session;

“Director” means the Director General of Fair Trading;

“EEA Agreement” means the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992 as adjusted by the protocol signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993⁽¹⁾;

“Member State” means a State which is a contracting party to the EEA Agreement;

“notified” means notified in writing;

“qualifying body” means a person specified in Schedule 1;

“seller or supplier” means any natural or legal person who, in contracts covered by these Regulations, is acting for purposes relating to his trade, business or profession, whether publicly owned or privately owned;

“unfair terms” means the contractual terms referred to in regulation 5.

(2) In the application of these Regulations to Scotland for references to an “injunction” or an “interim injunction” there shall be substituted references to an “interdict” or “interim interdict” respectively.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 3 in force at 1.10.1999, see [reg. 1](#)

⁽¹⁾ Protocol 47 and certain Annexes to the EEA Agreement were amended by Decision No. 7/94 of the EEA Joint Committee which came into force on 1st July 1994, (O.J. No. L160, 28.6.94, p. 1). Council Directive [93/13/EEC](#) was added to Annex XIX to the Agreement by Annex 17 to the said Decision No. 7/94.

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- Regulations applied (temp.) by 2015 c. 15 s. 91(8)
- Regulations revoked by 2015 c. 15 Sch. 4 para. 34
- reg. 3 coming into force by S.I. 1999/2083 reg. 1
- reg. 3 words inserted by S.I. 2013/783 art. 10(2)(a)
- reg. 3 words inserted by S.I. 2013/783 art. 10(2)(b)
- reg. 3 words inserted by S.I. 2013/783 art. 10(2)(c)
- reg. 3(1) word omitted by S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26(2)(a)
- reg. 3(1) words inserted by S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26(2)(b)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 1 Pt. 1 words substituted by S.I. 2003/3182 art. 2(2)
- Sch 1 Pt One subst by S.I. 2001/1186 reg 2(b)
- reg. 3(1A)(1B) inserted by S.I. 2004/2095 reg. 24(2)
- reg. 5(6)(7) inserted by S.I. 2004/2095 reg. 24(3)
- reg. 5(7) words substituted by S.I. 2013/472 Sch. 2 para. 26(a)
- reg. 8(3) inserted by S.I. 2013/1865 reg. 13(6)
- reg. 10(1)-(5) word substituted by S.I. 2014/549 Sch. 1 para. 26(3)(a)
- reg 16 added by S.I. 2001/1186 reg 2(a)
- art. 16 words substituted by S.I. 2001/3649 art. 583
- reg. 16 words substituted by S.I. 2013/472 Sch. 2 para. 26(b)