
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 1660

**The Employment Equality (Religion
or Belief) Regulations 2003**

PART 1

GENERAL

Harassment on grounds of religion or belief

5.—(1) For the purposes of these Regulations, a person (“A”) subjects another person (“B”) to harassment where, on grounds of religion or belief, A engages in unwanted conduct which has the purpose or effect of—

(a) violating B’s dignity; or

(b) creating an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment for B.

(2) Conduct shall be regarded as having the effect specified in paragraph (1)(a) or (b) only if, having regard to all the circumstances, including in particular the perception of B, it should reasonably be considered as having that effect.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Employment Equality (Religion or Belief) Regulations 2003. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

[View outstanding changes](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulations revoked by [2010 c. 15 Sch. 27 Pt. 2](#)

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. 1A inserted by [S.I. 2003/2828 reg. 3\(6\)](#)
- Sch. 1A para. 1(1) words inserted by [S.I. 2006/1031 Sch. 8 para. 62\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1A para. 1(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2006/1031 Sch. 8 para. 62\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1A para. 1(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2006/1031 Sch. 8 para. 62\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 1B inserted by [S.I. 2004/437 reg. 3\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 4 para. 2(5A) words substituted by [S.I. 2009/3348 art. 22Sch. 1 reg. 9A](#) inserted by [S.I. 2003/2828 reg. 3\(3\)](#)
- reg. 10(10)(b)(viii) inserted by [S.I. 2007/1388 Sch. 1 para. 150\(b\)](#)
- reg. 11A inserted by [S.I. 2006/594 Sch. para. 36\(5\)](#)
- reg. 17(1)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2007/2269 reg. 4\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 20(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2004/437 reg. 3\(2\)](#)
- reg. 30(5) inserted by [S.I. 2003/2828 reg. 3\(5\)](#)
- reg. 34(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2004/752 reg. 17\(g\)\(ii\)](#)

Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the The Employment Equality (Religion or Belief) Regulations 2003

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Instrument into force:

- [S.I. 2010/2317 art. 2\(15\)\(f\)](#) commences (2010 c. 15)
- [S.I. 2011/1066 art. 2\(h\)](#) commences (2010 c. 15)