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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2008 No. 2860 (C. 126)**

**COMPANIES**

**The Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 8,  
Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2008**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>5th November 2008</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>6th November 2008</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st October 2009</i>

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1292(1), 1296(1) and (2) and 1300(2) of the Companies Act 2006<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 8, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2008.

(2) This Order comes into force on 1st October 2009.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order—

“the 1985 Act” means the Companies Act 1985<sup>(2)</sup>;

“the 1986 Order” means the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986<sup>(3)</sup>;

“existing company” means a company that immediately before 1st October 2009 was formed and registered under the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order or was an existing company for the purposes of that Act or Order;

“transitional company” means a company that is formed and registered, or re-registered, under the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order on or after 1st October 2009 by virtue of paragraph 2(3) or 22(3) of Schedule 2 to this Order.

**Provisions of the Companies Act 2006 coming into force on 1st October 2009**

3. The following provisions of the Companies Act 2006 come into force on 1st October 2009—

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(1) 2006 c.46.

(2) 1985 c.6.

(3) S.I. 1986/1032 (N.I. 6).

- (a) in Part 1 (general introductory provisions)—
  - section 1 (companies);
  - sections 3 to 6 (types of company);
- (b) Part 2 (sections 7 to 16) (company formation);
- (c) in Part 3 (a company's constitution)—
  - section 17 (a company's constitution);
  - sections 18 to 28 (articles of association);
  - sections 31 to 38 (other provisions relating to a company's constitution);
- (d) in Part 4 (a company's capacity and related matters)—
  - sections 39 to 42 (capacity of company and power of directors to bind it);
  - sections 43 and 45 to 47 (formalities of doing business under the law of England and Wales or Northern Ireland);
  - section 48 (formalities of doing business under the law of Scotland);
  - sections 49 to 52 (other matters);
- (e) in Part 5 (a company's name)—
  - sections 53 to 57 (general requirements);
  - sections 58 to 65 (indications of company type or legal form);
  - sections 66 to 68 (similarity to other names);
  - sections 75 and 76 (powers of Secretary of State in relation to company names);
  - sections 77 to 81 (change of name);
- (f) Part 6 (sections 86 to 88) (a company's registered office);
- (g) Part 7 (sections 89 to 111) (re-registration as a means of altering a company's status);
- (h) in Part 8 (a company's members)—
  - section 112 (the members of a company);
  - sections 113 to 115 and 120 and 122 to 127 (register of members);
  - sections 129 to 135 (overseas branch registers);
  - sections 136 to 144 (prohibition on subsidiary being member of its holding company);
- (i) in Part 10 (a company's directors)—
  - sections 162 to 167 (register of directors);
  - sections 240 to 246 (directors' residential addresses: protection from disclosure);
  - section 247 (power to make provision for employees on cessation or transfer of business);
- (j) in Part 12 (company secretaries), sections 275 to 279 (register of secretaries);
- (k) in Part 17 (a company's share capital)—
  - sections 540 to 543 and 545 to 548 (shares and share capital);
  - sections 549 to 559 (allotment of shares: general provisions);
  - sections 560 to 577 (allotment of equity securities: shareholders' right of pre-emption);
  - sections 578 and 579 (public companies: allotment where issue not fully subscribed);
  - sections 580 to 592 (payment for shares);

- sections 593 to 609 (public companies: independent valuation of non-cash consideration);
- sections 610 to 616 (share premiums);
- sections 617 to 628 (alteration of share capital);
- sections 629 to 640 (classes of share and class rights);
- sections 641(1)(b) and 645 to 653 (reduction of share capital confirmed by the court);
- sections 655 to 657 (miscellaneous and supplementary provisions);
- (l) Part 18 (sections 658 to 737) (acquisition by limited company of its own shares);
- (m) Part 24 (sections 854 to 859) (a company's annual return);
- (n) Part 25 (sections 860 to 894) (company charges);
- (o) Part 31 (sections 1000 to 1034) (dissolution and restoration to the register);
- (p) in Part 33 (UK companies not formed under companies legislation), sections 1040 to 1042 (companies not formed under companies legislation but authorised to register);
- (q) Part 34 (sections 1044 to 1059) (overseas companies);
- (r) in Part 35 (the registrar of companies)—
  - sections 1060 to 1062 (the registrar);
  - section 1063 (fees payable to registrar), so far as not already in force;
  - sections 1064 to 1067 (certificates of incorporation and registered numbers);
  - sections 1068(1) to (4), (6) and (7) and 1069 to 1071 (delivery of documents to the registrar);
  - sections 1072 to 1076 (requirements for proper delivery);
  - sections 1081 to 1084 (the register);
  - sections 1093 to 1098 (correction or removal of material on the register);
  - sections 1099 to 1101 (the registrar's index of company names);
  - sections 1108 to 1110 (language requirements: transliteration);
  - sections 1112 to 1120 (supplementary provisions);
- (s) in Part 36 (offences under the Companies Acts)—
  - sections 1121 to 1123 (liability of officer in default);
  - section 1125 (meaning of "daily default fine");
  - sections 1127 to 1133 (other provisions);
- (t) in Part 37 (companies: supplementary provisions)—
  - sections 1134 to 1136, 1137(2), (3) and (5)(a) and 1138 (company records);
  - sections 1139 to 1142 (service addresses);
  - sections 1149 to 1153 (requirements as to independent valuation);
  - sections 1154 and 1155 (notice of appointment of certain officers);
  - section 1156 (meaning of "the court");
- (u) in Part 38 (companies: interpretation)—
  - section 1158 (meaning of "UK-registered company");
  - sections 1159 and 1160 and Schedule 6 (meaning of "subsidiary" and related expressions);

- section 1163 (meaning of “non-cash asset”);
- section 1166 (meaning of “employees’ share scheme”);
- sections 1168, 1171, 1173 (so far as not already in force) and 1174 and Schedule 8 (other definitions etc);
- (v) in Part 39 (companies: minor amendments)—
  - section 1180 (repeal of certain provisions about company charges);
  - section 1181 (access to constitutional documents of RTE and RTM companies);
- (w) Part 40 (sections 1182 to 1191) (company directors: foreign disqualification);
- (x) Part 41 (sections 1192 to 1208) (business names);
- (y) in Part 44 (miscellaneous provisions)—
  - section 1275 (levy to pay expenses of bodies concerned with actuarial standards etc);
  - section 1283 (commonhold associations);
- (z) Part 45 (sections 1284 to 1287) (Northern Ireland).

## Repeals

4. Section 1295 of, and Schedule 16 to, the Companies Act 2006 (repeals) come into force on 1st October 2009 so far as relating to the repeal of the provisions specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

## Transitional provisions and savings

5. Schedule 2 to this Order contains transitional provisions and savings relating to the provisions (and repeals) brought into force by this Order.

## Revocation of spent transitional adaptations

6.—(1) The following provisions (which make transitional adaptations that are no longer needed as a result of this Order) are revoked—

- (a) Schedule 1 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 1, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2006(4);
- (b) Schedule 1 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 2, Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2007(5);
- (c) Schedule 1 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 3, Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2007(6);
- (d) Schedule 1 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 5, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2007(7);
- (e) paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 6, Saving and Commencement Nos. 3 and 5 (Amendment)) Order 2008(8);
- (f) articles 3 to 5 of the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 7, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2008(9).

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(4) S.I. 2006/3428 (C. 132).  
 (5) S.I. 2007/1093(C. 49).  
 (6) S.I. 2007/2194 (C. 84).  
 (7) S.I. 2007/3495 (C. 150).  
 (8) S.I. 2008/674 (C. 26).  
 (9) S.I. 2008/1886 (C. 83).

(2) The revocations have effect subject to any relevant transitional provision or saving in Schedule 2 to this Order.

#### **Prosecution of offences in transitional cases**

7.—(1) Where a provision creating an offence is repealed and re-enacted without modification by or under the Companies Act 2006—

- (a) an offence committed before the commencement of the new law is to be charged under the old law,
- (b) an offence committed after the commencement of the new law is to be charged under the new law, and
- (c) an offence committed partly before and partly after the commencement of the new law is to be charged under the new law and not under the old.

(2) For this purpose an offence is committed partly before and partly after the commencement of the new law if a relevant event occurs before commencement and another relevant event occurs after commencement.

(3) A “relevant event” means an act, omission or other event (including any result of one or more acts or omissions) proof of which is required for conviction of the offence.

(4) This article is without prejudice to section 1297(2) of the Companies Act 2006 (continuity of the law).

#### **General saving**

8. The provisions of this Order do not affect the operation of section 1297 of the Companies Act 2006 (continuity of the law) except as expressly provided.

5th November 2008

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## SCHEDULE 1

Article 4

## REPEALS COMING INTO FORCE ON 1ST OCTOBER 2009

PART 1  
GREAT BRITAIN

<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal brought into force</i>
Companies Act 1985 (c.6)	<p>Sections 1 to 28.</p> <p>Section 29(1) to (3), (5) and (6).</p> <p>Sections 30 to 36.</p> <p>Section 36A(1) and (3).</p> <p>Sections 36AA to 40.</p> <p>Sections 43 to 55.</p> <p>Section 62 (so far as not previously repealed).</p> <p>Sections 80 and 80A.</p> <p>Sections 82 to 116.</p> <p>Sections 119 to 124.</p> <p>Section 125(1) to (5), (7) and (8).</p> <p>Sections 126 to 182.</p> <p>Sections 287 to 291.</p> <p>Sections 306 to 308.</p> <p>Section 322A.</p> <p>Section 350.</p> <p>Sections 352 to 355.</p> <p>Sections 357 to 365.</p> <p>Sections 379A and 380.</p> <p>Sections 395 to 424.</p> <p>Sections 651 to 706.</p>

<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal brought into force</i>
	Section 707A(2) to (4).
	Section 707B.
	Section 708(1) to (4).
	Sections 710 and 710A.
	Section 711A.
	Sections 713 and 714.
	Section 715A.
	Sections 718 and 719.
	Sections 721 to 726.
	Section 728.
	Section 730(1) to (4).
	Sections 730A and 731.
	Sections 735 to 740.
	Section 742.
	Sections 743 to 745.
	Schedules 1 and 2.
	Paragraph 2 of Schedule 3 (so far as not previously repealed).
	Schedule 14.
	Schedules 20 to 22.
	Schedule 24.
	Schedule 25.
Business Names Act 1985 (c.7)	The whole Act.
Companies Consolidation (Consequential Provisions) Act 1985 (c.9)	The whole Act.
Insolvency Act 1985 (c.65)	In Schedule 6, paragraphs 10, 46 and 47.
Insolvency Act 1986 (c.45)	In Schedule 13, the entries relating to the following provisions of the Companies Act 1985— (a) section 13(4);

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<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal brought into force</i>
	(b) section 44(7); (c) section 103(7); (d) section 131(7);(e) section 140(2); (f) section 173(4); (g) section 657(2); (h) section 658(1).
Building Societies Act 1986 (c.53)	Section 102C(5).
Companies Act 1989 (c.40)	Sections 92 to 110.  Section 115(1).  Section 116(1) and (2).  Section 117.  Section 123(5).  Section 125(1).  Sections 126 to 129.  Section 130(1) to (5) and (7).  Sections 131 to 133.  Section 136.  Section 139(1) to (3).  Sections 141 to 143.  Section 144(1) and (3).  In Schedule 10, paragraphs 1, 9 to 18 and 24.  Schedules 15 to 17.  In Schedule 18, paragraphs 32 to 38.  In Schedule 19, paragraphs 1 to 7, 11 to 17 and 19 to 21.
Charities Act 1993 (c.10)	In Schedule 6, paragraph 20.
Criminal Justice Act 1993 (c.36)	In Schedule 5, paragraph 4.
Pension Schemes Act 1993 (c.48)	In Schedule 8, paragraph 16.
Trade Marks Act 1994 (c.26)	In Schedule 4, in paragraph 1(2), the entries relating to sections 392 and 410 of the Companies Act 1985.



<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal brought into force</i>
Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994 (c.40)	Section 13(1).  Schedule 5.  In Schedule 16, paragraphs 8 to 10.
Requirements of Writing (Scotland) Act 1995 (c.7)	In Schedule 4, paragraphs 51 to 54.
Criminal Procedure (Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1995 (c.40)	In Schedule 4, paragraph 56(4).
Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000 (c.12)	In the Schedule, paragraph 1.
Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c.41)	Section 139(2).
Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 (c.16)	Section 45.  In Schedule 2, paragraph 17.
Enterprise Act 2002 (c.40)	In Schedule 17, paragraphs 3, 7 and 8.
Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 (c.27)	Sections 19(1) and 20.  In Schedule 6, paragraphs 1 to 9.
Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c.33)	In Schedule 27, paragraph 104.

## PART 2

### NORTHERN IRELAND

<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal or revocation brought into force</i>
Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1032 (N.I. 6))	Articles 1 to 8.  Article 10.  Article 11.  Articles 12 to 38.  Article 39(1) to (3), (5) and (6).  Articles 40 to 46.  Article 46A(1) and (3).  Articles 46B to 50.  Articles 53 to 65.  Article 72 (so far as not previously revoked).

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<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal or revocation brought into force</i>
	Articles 90 and 90A.
	Articles 92 to 126.
	Articles 129 to 134.
	Article 135(1) to (5), (7) and (8).
	Articles 136 to 192.
	Articles 295 to 299.
	Articles 314 to 316.
	Article 330A.
	Article 358.
	Articles 360 to 363.
	Articles 365 to 373.
	Articles 387A and 388.
	Articles 402 to 417J.
	Articles 424 to 450.
	Articles 602 to 655.
	Article 656A(2) to (4).
	Article 656B.
	Article 657.
	Articles 659 and 659A.
	Articles 662 and 663.
	Article 664A.
	Articles 667 and 668.
	Articles 670 to 674.
	Article 676.
	Articles 678 and 679.
	Article 681.

<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal or revocation brought into force</i>
	Schedules 1 and 2.
	Paragraph 2 of Schedule 3 (so far as not previously revoked).
	Schedule 14.
	Schedules 20 to 21.
	Schedules 23 and 24.
Business Names (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1033 (N.I. 7))	The whole Order.
Companies Consolidation (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1035 (N.I. 9))	The whole Order.
Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/2404 (N.I. 18))	Articles 1 to 2A. Article 26. Articles 35 and 36. Schedules 4 and 5.
Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/2405 (N.I. 19))	In Schedule 9, Part 1.
European Economic Interest Groupings Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 (S.R. (NI) 1989 No 216)	The whole Regulations.
Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1990 (S.I. 1990/593 (N.I. 5))	Articles 1 and 2. Articles 25 and 26. Article 57. Schedule 10. Schedule 15.
Companies (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1990 (S.I. 1990/1504 (N.I. 10))	Articles 3 to 5. Articles 7 to 20. Articles 28 to 42. Articles 44 to 46. Articles 49 to 53. Articles 59 to 61.

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<i>Short title and chapter</i>	<i>Extent of repeal or revocation brought into force</i>
	Article 62(1) to (3) and (5).
	Articles 63 to 68.
	Articles 70 and 71.
	Articles 74 to 78.
	Schedule 1.
	In Schedule 2, paragraphs 1 and 2.
	Schedules 4 to 6.
Criminal Justice Act 1993 (c.36)	In Schedule 5, Part 2.
Financial Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/1252 (N.I. 5))	Article 15.
Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994 (c.40)	Section 13(2). Schedule 6.
Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22))	In Schedule 3, paragraph 7.
Deregulation and Contracting Out (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/1632 (N.I. 11))	In Schedule 5, paragraph 4.
Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 (c.23)	In Schedule 4, paragraph 18.
Limited Liability Partnerships Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c.12 (N.I.))	The whole Act.
Open-Ended Investment Companies Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c.13 (N.I.))	The whole Act.
Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/3150 (N.I. 4))	In Schedule 3, paragraphs 3 to 5.
Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1967 (N.I. 17))	The provisions of the Order that remain in force.

## SCHEDULE 2

Article 5

## TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND SAVINGS

**General saving for existing companies etc**

1.—(1) Nothing in the Companies Act 2006(10) affects—

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(10) 2006 c.46.

- (a) the registration or re-registration of a company under the former Companies Acts, or the continued existence of a company by virtue of such registration or re-registration, or
  - (b) the application in relation to an existing company of—
    - (i) Table B in the Joint Stock Companies Act 1856<sup>(11)</sup>,
    - (ii) Table A in any of the former Companies Acts, or
    - (iii) the Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations 1985<sup>(12)</sup> or the Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986<sup>(13)</sup>.
- (2) Section 1297(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (continuity of the law: things done under old law to be treated as done under the corresponding provision of the new law) applies—
- (a) in relation to a company to which section 675(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 625(1) of the 1986 Order applied (application of Act or Order to companies formed and registered under earlier companies legislation) as if the company had been formed and registered under Part 1 of the 1985 Act or Part 2 of the 1986 Order;
  - (b) in relation to a company to which section 676(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 626(1) of the 1986 Order applied (application of Act or Order to companies registered but not formed under earlier companies legislation) as if the company had been registered under Chapter 2 of Part 22 of the 1985 Act or Chapter 2 of Part 22 of the 1986 Order;
  - (c) in relation to a company to which section 677(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 627(1) of the 1986 Order applied (application of Act or Order to companies re-registered under earlier companies legislation) as if the company had been re-registered under Part 2 of the 1985 Act or Part 3 of the 1986 Order.
- (3) Nothing in this paragraph or in section 1297(3) of the Companies Act 2006 shall be read as affecting any reference to the date on which a company was registered or re-registered.

### **Company formation (ss. 7 to 16)**

2.—(1) Sections 7 to 16 of the Companies Act 2006 (company formation) apply to applications for registration received by the registrar on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Any application for registration under those provisions received by the registrar before that date shall not be entertained.

(3) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply to an application for registration if—

- (a) it is received by the registrar, and
- (b) the requirements as to registration are met in relation to it,

before 1st October 2009.

(4) Any application for registration under that Act or Order in relation to which the requirements as to registration are not met before that date shall be treated as withdrawn.

(5) For the purposes of section 1297(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (continuity of the law) as it applies to treat a company formed and registered under Part 1 of the 1985 Act or Part 2 of the 1986 Order as if formed and registered under the corresponding provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the registration of a company on an application to which sub-paragraph (3) above applies is to be regarded as in force and effective immediately before the commencement of Part 1 of the Companies Act 2006.

(6) In the definition of “company” in section 1 of the Companies Act 2006—

<sup>(11)</sup> 1856 c.47.

<sup>(12)</sup> S.I. 1985/805.

<sup>(13)</sup> S.R. (NI) 1986 No 264.

- (a) the reference to a company formed and registered after the commencement of Part 1 of that Act shall be read as a reference to a company formed and registered on an application to which sub-paragraph (1) above applies, and
- (b) the reference to a company formed and registered under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order immediately before the commencement of Part 1 of the Companies Act 2006 includes a company formed and registered on an application to which sub-paragraph (3) above applies.

#### **Articles of association (ss. 18 to 20)**

**3.—**(1) Sections 7 and 8 of the 1985 Act or Articles 18 and 19 of the 1986 Order (articles of association) apply, and sections 18 to 20 of the Companies Act 2006 do not apply, to a company formed and registered under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order on an application to which paragraph 2(3) above applies.

(2) Nothing in section 18(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (articles to be contained in single document divided into consecutively numbered paragraphs) is to be read as affecting the operation of section 28 of that Act (under which certain provisions are to be treated as part of a company's articles).

#### **Amendment of provisions of articles (ss. 21 and 22)**

**4.—**(1) The power conferred by section 21(1) of the Companies Act 2006 (amendment of company's articles by special resolution) does not apply—

- (a) to provisions of the articles of an existing company that were not capable of being so amended immediately before 1st October 2009; or
- (b) to provisions of the articles of a transitional company that were not capable of being so amended under the company's constitution on its registration or re-registration (as the case may be).

(2) The power conferred by section 22(3)(a) of that Act (amendment of entrenched provisions of articles by agreement of all the members of the company) does not apply—

- (a) to provisions of the articles of an existing company that were not capable of being so amended immediately before 1st October 2009; or
- (b) to provisions of the articles of a transitional company that were not capable of being so amended under the company's constitution on its registration or re-registration (as the case may be).

(3) References in this paragraph to provisions of the articles of an existing or transitional company include provisions of the company's memorandum that are to be treated by virtue of section 28 of that Act as provisions of its articles.

(4) A special resolution passed before 1st October 2009 removing or amending with effect from that date any provision that as from that date is treated by virtue of section 28 of that Act as a provision of the company's articles, has effect as if passed on that date.

#### **Notice to registrar of existence of restrictions on amendment of articles (s. 23)**

**5.** Section 23(1)(a) of the Companies Act 2006 (notice to registrar of fact that company's articles on formation contain provision for entrenchment) does not apply to a transitional company.

### **Registrar to be sent copy of amended articles (s. 26)**

6.—(1) Section 26 of the Companies Act 2006 (registrar to be sent copy of amended articles) applies in relation to amendments taking effect on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 18(2) and (3) of the 1985 Act or Article 29(2) and (3) of the 1986 Order continue to apply in relation to amendments taking effect before that date.

### **Provisions of memorandum treated as provisions of articles (s. 28)**

7.—(1) Section 28 of the Companies Act 2006 (existing companies: provisions of memorandum treated as provisions of articles) applies not only to an existing company but also to a transitional company.

(2) In its application to a transitional company the reference to provisions that were contained in the company's memorandum immediately before the commencement of Part 3 shall be read as a reference to provisions that are contained in the company's memorandum on its registration or re-registration (as the case may be).

(3) Subject to sub-paragraphs (1) and (2), in subsection (1) of that section—

(a) “before the commencement of this Part” means before 1st October 2009, and

(b) “after the commencement of this Part” means on or after that date.

8. Nothing in section 28 of the Companies Act 2006 requires a company to give notice to the registrar of an alteration of its articles.

9.—(1) A company whose articles are deemed by virtue of section 28 of the Companies Act 2006 to contain provisions formerly in its memorandum may comply with any obligation to send a person a copy of its articles—

(a) by appending to a copy of the other provisions of the articles a copy of the provisions of its old-style memorandum that are deemed to be provisions of the articles, or

(b) by sending together with a copy of the other provisions of the articles a copy of its old-style memorandum indicating the provisions that are deemed to be provisions of the articles.

(2) References in sub-paragraph (1) to a company's “old-style memorandum” are—

(a) in the case of an existing company, to its memorandum of association as it stood immediately before 1st October 2009;

(b) in the case of a transitional company, to its memorandum of association as it stood on its registration or re-registration (as the case may be) apart from the operation of section 28.

10. Nothing in the Companies Act 2006 shall be read as enabling a company to amend or omit provisions of its articles that were formerly in its memorandum so as to change its status as a limited or unlimited company otherwise than in accordance with the relevant provisions of Part 7 of that Act (re-registration as a means of changing company's status).

### **Constitutional documents to be provided to members (s. 32)**

11.—(1) Section 32 of the Companies Act 2006 (constitutional documents to be provided to members) applies where the request is received by the company on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 19 of the 1985 Act or Article 30 of the 1986 Order continues to apply where the request was received by the company before that date.

#### **Notice to registrar where company's constitution altered by enactment (s. 34)**

12.—(1) Section 34 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice to registrar where company's constitution altered by enactment) applies where the enactment in question comes into force on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 18(1) and (3) of the 1985 Act or Article 29(1) and (3) of the 1986 Order continue to apply in relation to alterations made by statutory provisions coming into force before that date.

#### **Notice to registrar where company's constitution altered by order (s. 35)**

13. Section 35 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice to registrar where company's constitution altered by order) applies in relation to orders made on or after 1st October 2009.

#### **Documents to be incorporated in or accompany copies of articles issued by company (s. 36)**

14.—(1) Section 36 of the Companies Act 2006 (documents to be incorporated in or accompany copies of articles issued by company) applies to copies of a company's articles issued on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 380(2), (6) and (7) of the 1985 Act or Article 388(2), (6) and (7) of the 1986 Order continue to apply to copies issued before that date.

#### **A company's capacity (s. 39)**

15.—(1) Section 39 of the Companies Act 2006 (a company's capacity) applies to acts of a company done on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 35 of the 1985 Act or Article 45 of the 1986 Order continues to apply to acts of a company done before that date.

#### **Execution of deeds or other documents by attorney (s. 47)**

16.—(1) Section 47 of the Companies Act 2006 (execution of deeds or other documents by attorney) applies where the instrument empowering a person to act as a company's attorney is executed on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 38 of the 1985 Act or Article 48 of the 1986 Order continues to have effect where the power to act as a company's attorney was conferred before that date (including in relation to instruments executed by the attorney on behalf of the company on or after that date).

#### **A company's name (ss. 53 to 81)**

17.—(1) The following provisions of the Companies Act 2006 do not affect the continued registration of a company by a name by which it was duly registered—

- (a) in the case of an existing company, immediately before 1st October 2009, or
- (b) in the case of a transitional company, on its registration or re-registration (as the case may be).

(2) The provisions are—

- (a) section 54 (name suggesting connection with government or public authority);
- (b) section 55 (other sensitive words or expressions);
- (c) section 57 (permitted characters etc);
- (d) section 65 (inappropriate use of indications of company type or legal form);
- (e) section 66 (name not to be the same as another in registrar's index).



**18.**—(1) Sections 54 to 56 of the Companies Act 2006 (sensitive words and expressions) apply to applications for approval received by the Secretary of State on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 29 of the 1985 Act or Article 39 of the 1986 Order continues to apply in relation to applications received by the Secretary of State or the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment in Northern Ireland before that date.

**19.**—(1) Sections 77(1)(a) and 78 of the Companies Act 2006 (change of name by special resolution), and sections 80 and 81 of that Act so far as relating to a change of name by special resolution, apply where—

- (a) the resolution is passed on or after 1st October 2009, or
- (b) the resolution is passed before that date but no copy of the resolution is received by the registrar under section 30 of that Act (resolution affecting a company’s constitution) before that date.

(2) Section 28(1), (6) and (7) of the 1985 Act or Article 38(1), (6) and (7) of the 1986 Order continue to apply to resolutions of which a copy is received by the registrar before that date.

**20.** The provisions of section 31(2) to (4) and (6) of the 1985 Act or Article 41(2) to (4) and (6) of the 1986 Order (power to direct company to change its name so that it ends with “limited”) continue to apply where a direction under section 31(2) or Article 41(2) was given before 1st October 2009.

**21.** The provisions of section 32 of the 1985 Act or Article 42 of the 1986 Order (power to require company to abandon misleading name) continue to apply in relation to a direction under that section or Article given before 1st October 2009.

**Re-registration as a means of altering a company’s status (ss. 89 to 108)**

**22.**—(1) Sections 89 to 108 of the Companies Act 2006 (re-registration as a means of altering a company’s status) apply to applications for re-registration received by the registrar on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Any application for re-registration under those provisions received by the registrar before that date shall not be entertained.

(3) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply to an application for re-registration if—

- (a) it is received by the registrar, and
- (b) the requirements for re-registration are met in relation to it,

before 1st October 2009.

(4) Any application for re-registration under that Act or Order in relation to which the requirements as to re-registration are not met before that date shall be treated as withdrawn.

(5) On an application to which sub-paragraph (1) above applies a resolution agreed to, or other thing done, before 1st October 2009 may be relied on for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

(6) For the purposes of section 1297(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (continuity of the law) as it applies to treat a company re-registered under the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order as if re-registered under the corresponding provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the re-registration of a company on an application to which sub-paragraph (3) above applies is to be regarded as in force and effective immediately before the commencement of Part 7 of the Companies Act 2006.

**Register of members: information as to state of register and index (s. 120)**

23. Section 120 of the Companies Act 2006 (information as to state of register or index) applies where a person—

- (a) inspects a company's register of members or index of members' names on or after 1st October 2009, or
- (b) is provided by a company on or after that date with a copy of the company's register of members or any part of it,

whether the person's request to inspect, or be provided with a copy, was made before, on or after that date.

**Repeal of minimum membership requirement**

24. The repeal of section 24 of the 1985 Act or Article 34 of the 1986 Order (minimum membership for carrying on business) does not affect any liability under that section or Article for debts of the company contracted before 1st October 2009.

**Registers of directors and secretaries (ss. 162 and 275)**

25. On and after 1st October 2009 the register of directors and secretaries kept by a company under section 288(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 296(1) of the 1986 Order shall be treated as two separate registers—

- (a) a register of directors kept under and for the purposes of section 162 of the Companies Act 2006, and
- (b) a register of secretaries kept under and for the purposes of section 275 of that Act.

**Particulars to be registered (ss. 163, 164 and 166 and 277 to 279)**

26.—(1) Subject to the following provisions, an existing company need not comply with any provision of the Companies Act 2006 requiring the company's register of directors or secretaries to contain particulars additional to those required by the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order until the earlier of—

- (a) the date to which the company makes up its first annual return made up to a date on or after 1st October 2009, and
- (b) the last date to which the company should have made up that return.

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply in relation to a director or secretary of whom particulars are first registered on or after 1st October 2009 (whether the director or secretary was appointed before, on or after that date).

(3) Sub-paragraph (1) ceases to apply in relation to a director or secretary whose registered particulars fall to be altered on or after 1st October 2009 because they have changed (whether the change occurred before, on or after that date).

(4) This paragraph does not affect the particulars required to be included in the company's annual return.

27.—(1) In the case of an existing company—

- (a) the relevant existing address of a director or secretary is deemed, on and after 1st October 2009, to be a service address, and
- (b) any entry in the company's register of directors or secretaries stating that address is treated, on and after that date, as complying with the obligation in section 163(1)(b) or 277(1)(b) of the Companies Act 2006 to state a service address.

(2) The relevant existing address is—

- (a) the address that immediately before 1st October 2009 appeared in the company's register of directors and secretaries as having been notified to the company under section 289(1A) or 290(1A) of the 1985 Act (service address notified by individual applying for confidentiality order in respect of usual residential address), or
- (b) if no such address appeared, the address that immediately before that date appeared in the company's register of directors and secretaries as the director's or secretary's usual residential address.

(3) Any notification of a change of a relevant existing address occurring before 1st October 2009 that is received by the company on or after that date is treated as being or, as the case may be, including notification of a change of service address.

(4) The operation of this paragraph does not give rise to any duty to notify the registrar under section 167 or 276 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to notify registrar of changes in particulars contained in register).

**28.—**(1) An existing company must remove from its register of directors on 1st October 2009 any entry relating to a shadow director.

(2) Section 167 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to notify registrar of changes) applies as if the shadow director had ceased to be a director on that date.

**29.** The removal by an existing company from its register of directors or secretaries on or after 1st October 2009 of particulars required by the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order but not required by the Companies Act 2006 does not give rise to any duty to notify the registrar under section 167 or 276 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to notify registrar of changes in particulars contained in register).

#### **Register of directors' residential addresses (s. 165)**

**30.—**(1) The duty of a company to keep a register of directors' residential addresses has effect on and after 1st October 2009.

(2) The entry on that register of information that immediately before that date was contained in the company's register of directors and secretaries does not give rise to any duty to notify the registrar under section 167 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to notify registrar of changes in particulars contained in register).

#### **Duty to notify registrar of changes (ss. 167 and 276)**

**31.—**(1) Sections 167 and 276 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to notify registrar of changes) apply in relation to—

- (a) a change among a company's directors or in its secretaries, or
- (b) a change in the particulars contained in the register,

occurring on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Sections 288(2), (4) and (6), 289 and 290 of the 1985 Act or Articles 296(2), (4) and (6), 297 and 298 of the 1986 Order (notification to registrar of changes) continue to apply in relation to a change occurring before that date.

#### **Directors and secretaries: entries on the register of companies**

**32.—**(1) The registrar may make such entries in the register as appear to be appropriate having regard to paragraphs 26 to 30 and the information appearing on the register immediately before 1st October 2009 or notified to the registrar in accordance with paragraph 31(2).

- (2) In particular, the registrar may record as a service address—
- (a) a relevant existing address (within the meaning of paragraph 27), or
  - (b) in the case of a company formed and registered on an application to which paragraph 2(3) applies, an address notified to the registrar in connection with that application as a director's or secretary's usual residential address.
- (3) Any notification of a change of a relevant existing address occurring before 1st October 2009 that is received by the registrar on or after that date is treated as being or, as the case may be, including notification of a change of service address.

**Directors' residential addresses: protection from disclosure (ss. 240 to 246)**

- 33.** Where a director's usual residential address appears as a service address—
- (a) in the company's register of directors by virtue of paragraph 27, or
  - (b) in the register of companies by virtue of paragraph 32,

that address is not protected information for the purposes of Chapter 8 of Part 10 of the Companies Act 2006.

**34.—(1)** Section 242(1) of the Companies Act 2006 (duty of registrar to omit protected information from material available for inspection) does not apply—

- (a) to material delivered to the registrar before 1st October 2009, or
- (b) to material delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009 by virtue of paragraph 31(2) (notification of change occurring before that date).

(2) In section 242(2)(b) of the Companies Act 2006 (exclusion of material registered before commencement) the reference to things registered before Chapter 8 of Part 10 of that Act comes into force is treated as including anything registered as a result of a notification in accordance with paragraph 31(2) (notification on or after 1st October 2009 of change occurring before that date).

(3) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) have effect subject to paragraph 36 below (which provides for the continued protection of information formerly protected by a confidentiality order).

**35.** In determining under section 245(1) of the Companies Act 2006 whether to put a director's usual residential address on the public record, the registrar may take into account only—

- (a) communications sent by the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, and
- (b) evidence as to the effectiveness of service coming to the registrar's attention on or after that date.

**Continuation of protection afforded by confidentiality orders under the 1985 Act**

**36.—(1)** A director or secretary in relation to whom a confidentiality order under section 723B of the 1985 Act was in force immediately before 1st October 2009 is treated on and after that date as if—

- (a) they had made an application under section 1088 of the Companies Act 2006 (application to make address unavailable for public inspection) in respect of any address that immediately before that date was contained in "confidential records" as defined in section 723D(3) of the 1985 Act, and
- (b) that application had been determined by the registrar in their favour.

(2) The provisions of regulations under section 1088 relating to decisions of the registrar in favour of an applicant (in particular, as to the duration and revocation of such a decision) apply accordingly.

(3) As those regulations apply in accordance with this paragraph any reference to an offence under section 1112 of the Companies Act 2006 (false statement) shall be read as a reference to an

offence under regulations under section 723E(1)(a) of the 1985 Act in relation to the application for the confidentiality order.

**37.—**(1) A director in relation to whom a confidentiality order under section 723B of the 1985 Act was in force immediately before 1st October 2009 is treated on and after that date as if—

- (a) they had made an application under section 243(4) of the Companies Act 2006 (application to prevent disclosure of protected information by registrar to credit reference agency), and
- (b) that application had been determined by the registrar in their favour.

(2) The provisions of regulations under section 243(4) relating to decisions of the registrar in favour of an applicant (in particular, as to the duration and revocation of such a decision) apply accordingly.

(3) As those regulations apply in accordance with this paragraph any reference to an offence under section 1112 (false statement) shall be read as a reference to an offence under regulations under section 723E(1)(a) of the 1985 Act in relation to the application for the confidentiality order.

**38.** Where a confidentiality order under section 723B of the 1985 Act was in force immediately before 1st October 2009 in relation to a director or secretary of a company—

- (a) section 162(5) and (8) of the Companies Act 2006 (inspection of company's register of directors), or
- (b) section 275(5) and (8) of that Act (inspection of company's register of secretaries),

do not apply in relation to the part of the company's register containing particulars of the usual residential address of the individual that before that date were protected from disclosure by section 288(5A) of the 1985 Act.

#### **Effect of pending application for confidentiality order**

**39.—**(1) Section 723B(3) to (8) of the 1985 Act (application for confidentiality order) continue to apply in relation to an application for a confidentiality order made before 1st October 2009.

(2) Paragraphs 36 to 38 (continuation of protection afforded by confidentiality orders) apply to a person in respect of whom such an application has been made, and has not been determined or withdrawn, as to a person in relation to whom a confidentiality order was in force immediately before that date.

(3) If the application is dismissed or withdrawn, those paragraphs cease to apply.

(4) If the application is successful those paragraphs continue to apply as in the case of an individual in relation to whom a confidentiality order was in force immediately before 1st October 2009.

#### **Power to make provision for employees on cessation or transfer of business (s. 247)**

**40.—**(1) Section 247 of the Companies Act 2006 (power to make provision for employees on cessation or transfer of business) applies to provision made on or after 1st October 2009 (subject to sub-paragraph (2)(b)).

(2) Section 719 of the 1985 Act or Article 668 of the 1986 Order continues to apply—

- (a) to provision made before that date, and
- (b) to anything sanctioned in accordance with subsection (3) of that section or paragraph (3) of that Article before that date.

### **Conversion of shares into stock (s. 540(2) and (3))**

**41.**—(1) Section 540(2) of the Companies Act 2006 (prohibition on conversion of shares into stock) does not affect the conversion of shares into stock in pursuance of a resolution of the company in general meeting passed, or a written resolution agreed to, before 1st October 2009.

(2) The reference in section 540(3) (reconversion) to stock created before the commencement of Part 17 of that Act includes stock created in pursuance of such a resolution.

(3) Section 122(1)(b) and (2) of the 1985 Act or Article 132(1)(b) and (2) of the 1986 Order (notice to registrar of conversion) continue to apply in relation to the conversion of shares into stock under such a resolution.

### **Saving for provisions as to amount of authorised share capital**

**42.**—(1) This paragraph applies to any provision of a company's memorandum as to the amount of a company's authorised share capital that is in force immediately before 1st October 2009, as altered by anything done by virtue of section 121 of the 1985 Act or Article 131 of the 1986 Order (alteration of share capital) and in force immediately before that date.

(2) Any such provision—

(a) is treated on and after 1st October 2009 as a provision of the company's articles setting the maximum amount of shares that may be allotted by the company, and

(b) may be amended or revoked by the company by ordinary resolution.

(3) Chapter 3 of Part 3 of the Companies Act 2006 (resolutions and agreements affecting a company's constitution) applies to any such resolution.

(4) Nothing in sub-paragraph (2) affects the power of a company by special resolution to adopt new articles, with effect from 1st October 2009 or any later date, that make no provision as to the maximum number of shares that may be allotted by the company.

(5) Any such resolution as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) or (4) that is passed before 1st October 2009 is treated as passed on that date.

(6) An amendment of a company's articles on or after 1st October 2009 authorising the directors to allot shares in excess of the amount allowed by any such provision as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) has effect although not expressed as amending or revoking it.

### **Power of directors to allot shares etc: private company with only one class of shares (s. 550)**

**43.**—(1) Section 550 of the Companies Act 2006 (power of directors to allot shares etc: private company with only one class of shares) applies to an existing or transitional company only if the members of the company have resolved that the directors should have the powers given by that section.

(2) A resolution under this paragraph may be an ordinary resolution (even if it takes the form of an alteration of the company's articles).

(3) Chapter 3 of Part 3 of the Companies Act 2006 (resolutions and agreements affecting a company's constitution) applies to any such resolution.

(4) Any such resolution passed before 1st October 2009 is treated as if passed on that date.

(5) Once the members of the company have resolved as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1), the application of section 550 in relation to the company is not affected by any subsequent resolution, except one altering the company's articles so as to prohibit (to any extent) exercise of the powers mentioned in the section.

**44.** For the purposes of section 550 of the Companies Act 2006 provisions of the articles of an existing or transitional company—

- (a) authorising the directors to allot shares in accordance with section 80 of the 1985 Act or Article 90 of the 1986 Order, or
- (b) added following an elective resolution under section 80A of the 1985 Act or Article 90A of the 1986 Order and authorising the directors to allot shares,

are not to be treated as provisions prohibiting the directors from exercising the powers conferred by section 550 in cases to which the authority does not extend.

#### **Power of directors to allot shares etc: authorisation by company (s. 551)**

**45.** An authorisation in force immediately before 1st October 2009 under section 80 or 80A of the 1985 Act or Article 90 or 90A of the 1986 Order has effect on and after that date as if given under section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 (power of directors to allot shares etc: authorisation by company).

#### **Registration of allotment (s. 554)**

**46.** Section 554 of the Companies Act 2006 (registration of allotment) applies to shares allotted on or after 1st October 2009.

#### **Return of allotment (ss. 555 to 557)**

**47.—(1)** Section 555 of the Companies Act 2006 (return of allotment by limited company) applies to shares allotted on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 88 of the 1985 Act or Article 98 of the 1986 Order continues to apply to shares allotted before that date.

**48.—(1)** Section 556 of the Companies Act 2006 (return of allotment by unlimited company allotting new class of shares) applies to shares allotted on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 128(1), (2) and (5) of the 1985 Act or Article 138(1), (2) and (5) of the 1986 Order continue to apply to shares allotted before that date.

#### **Existing shareholders' right of pre-emption (ss. 561 to 577)**

**49.—(1)** Section 561 of the Companies Act 2006 (prohibition on allotment unless offers made to existing shareholders) applies to the allotment of shares on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Where that section applies—

- (a) section 562 of that Act (communication of pre-emption offers to shareholders) applies to offers made on or after 1st October 2009, and
- (b) section 90 of the 1985 Act or Article 100 of the 1986 Order continues to apply to offers made before that date,

and the requirements of section 561 may be met by offers within paragraph (a) or (b) above.

(3) Section 563 of the Companies Act 2006 (consequences of contravention) applies where section 561 applies and the reference to section 562 of that Act shall be read accordingly as including a reference to section 90 of the 1985 Act or Article 100 of the 1986 Order.

**50.—(1)** This paragraph applies where provision made by virtue of section 91 of the 1985 Act or Article 101 of the 1986 Order (exclusion of requirements by private company) excluding the requirements of section 89 or 90 or Article 99 or 100 is in force immediately before 1st October 2009.

(2) That provision has effect on and after that date as if it was or, as the case may be, included provision made by virtue of section 567 of the Companies Act 2006 excluding the corresponding requirements of section 561 or 562 of that Act.

**51.**—(1) Section 568 of the Companies Act 2006 (exclusion of statutory pre-emption right where articles confer corresponding right) applies to the allotment of shares on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) The reference in section 568(3) to section 562 of that Act (communication of pre-emption offers to shareholders) shall be read in relation to offers made before 1st October 2009 as a reference to section 90 of the 1985 Act or Article 100 of the 1986 Order.

(3) Section 563 of the Companies Act 2006 (consequences of contravention) applies in relation to such an offer as if the reference to section 562 of that Act were a reference to section 90 of the 1985 Act or Article 100 of the 1986 Order.

**52.**—(1) This paragraph applies where provision excluding or modifying section 89(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 99(1) of the 1986 Order has been made by virtue of section 95(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 105(1) of the 1986 Order and is in force immediately before 1st October 2009.

(2) The provision has effect on and after that date as if it had been made by virtue of section 570 of the Companies Act 2006 (disapplication of pre-emption rights: directors acting under general authorisation) and excluded, or made corresponding modifications of, section 561 of that Act.

(3) The power conferred to allot equity securities may accordingly be renewed under section 570(3).

**53.**—(1) This paragraph applies where a special resolution excluding or modifying section 89(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 99(1) of the 1986 Order has been passed by virtue of section 95(2) of the 1985 Act or Article 105(2) of the 1986 Order and is in force immediately before 1st October 2009.

(2) The resolution has effect on and after that date as if it had been passed by virtue of section 571 of the Companies Act 2006 (disapplication of pre-emption rights by special resolution) and excluded, or made corresponding modifications of, section 561 of that Act.

(3) The resolution may accordingly be renewed under section 571(3).

**54.**—(1) It is immaterial whether the directors' statement required before a resolution can be proposed under section 571 of the Companies Act 2006 (disapplication of pre-emption rights by special resolution) is made, or is sent, submitted or circulated as required by subsection (7) of that section before, on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 572 of that Act (criminal liability for false statement) applies to a directors' statement that is sent, submitted or circulated to a member on or after 1st October 2009.

(3) Section 95(6) of the 1985 Act or Article 105(6) of the 1986 Order applies to a directors' statement that is circulated or supplied to a member before that date.

**55.**—(1) This paragraph applies where provision excluding or modifying section 89(1) of the 1985 Act or Article 99(1) of the 1986 Order has been made by virtue of section 95(2A) of the 1985 Act or Article 105(2A) of the 1986 Order and is in force immediately before 1st October 2009.

(2) The provision has effect on and after that date as if it had been made by virtue of section 573 of the Companies Act 2006 (disapplication of pre-emption rights: sale of treasury shares) and excluded, or made corresponding modifications of, section 561 of that Act.

(3) The power conferred to allot equity securities may accordingly be renewed under section 570(3) or, as the case may be, section 571(3).



### **Public companies: allotment where issue not fully subscribed (ss. 578 and 579)**

**56.**—(1) Sections 578 and 579 of the Companies Act 2006 (public companies: allotment where issue not fully subscribed) apply where the offer is made on or after 1st October 2009, unless a prospectus has been issued before that date.

(2) Sections 84 and 85 of the 1985 Act or Articles 94 and 95 of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the offer was made, or a prospectus issued, before that date.

(3) In the case of an offer made or a prospectus issued on more than one day, the references in this paragraph to the date on which it is made or issued are to the first day on which it was made or issued.

(4) References in this paragraph to a prospectus being issued are to its being made available to the public in accordance with Part 6 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000<sup>(14)</sup>.

### **Meaning of “cash consideration” for shares (ss. 583 and 607)**

**57.**—(1) Section 583(3)(e) of the Companies Act 2006 (meaning of “cash consideration for shares”: other means equivalent to payment in cash) applies only in relation to consideration received in pursuance of an obligation entered into on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 607 of that Act (penalty for contravention of provisions about valuation of non-cash consideration) applies in relation to consideration received in pursuance of an obligation entered into on or after that date.

(3) Section 114 of the 1985 Act or Article 124 of the 1986 Order continues to apply in relation to consideration received in pursuance of an obligation entered into before that date.

### **Power of court to grant relief (ss. 589 and 606)**

**58.** In section 589(3) and (4) and section 606(2) and (3) of the Companies Act 2006 (power of court to grant relief from liabilities in connection with payment for shares: matters to be taken into account), the words from “having regard to” to the end of the subsection shall be omitted in relation to a decision whether to grant relief in respect of a liability for interest arising before 1st October 2009.

### **Sub-division or consolidation of shares (s. 618)**

**59.** The repeal of section 122(1)(a) and (d) and (2) of the 1985 Act or Article 132(1)(a) and (d) and (2) of the 1986 Order (notice to registrar of consolidation and division, or sub-division, of shares) does not affect the operation of those provisions in relation to a consolidation and division, or sub-division, of shares effected before 1st October 2009.

### **Reconversion of stock into shares (s. 620)**

**60.** The repeal of section 122(1)(c) and (2) of the 1985 Act or Article 132(1)(c) and (2) of the 1986 Order (notice to registrar of reconversion of stock into shares) does not affect the operation of those provisions in relation to a reconversion effected before 1st October 2009.

### **Variation of class rights: companies without a share capital (ss. 631 and 634)**

**61.** Nothing in section 631 or 634 of the Companies Act 2006 (variation of class rights by company without a share capital) affects a variation of class rights made (in accordance with provision in the company’s memorandum or articles) before 1st October 2009.

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**Notice of name or other designation of class of shares (s. 636)**

**62.**—(1) Section 636 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice of name or other designation of class of shares) applies where the new name or other designation is assigned on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 128(4) and (5) of the 1985 Act or Article 138(4) and (5) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the new name or other designation was assigned before that date.

**Notice of particulars of variation of rights attached to shares (s. 637)**

**63.**—(1) Section 637 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice of particulars of variation of rights attached to shares) applies where the variation is made on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 128(3) and (5) of the 1985 Act or Article 138(3) and (5) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the variation was made before that date.

**Notice of new class of members (s. 638)**

**64.**—(1) Section 638 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice of new class of members) applies where a new class of members is created on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 129(1) and (4) of the 1985 Act or Article 139(1) and (4) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where a new class of members was created before that date.

**Notice of name or other designation of class of members (s. 639)**

**65.**—(1) Section 639 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice of name or other designation of class of members) applies where the name or other designation, or new name or other designation, is assigned on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 129(3) and (4) of the 1985 Act or Article 139(3) and (4) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the name or other designation, or new name or other designation, was assigned before that date.

**Notice of particulars of variation of class rights (s. 640)**

**66.**—(1) Section 640 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice of particulars of variation of class rights) applies where the variation is made on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 129(2) and (4) of the 1985 Act or Article 139(2) and (4) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the variation was made before that date.

**Repeal of provisions about reserve liability and reserve capital**

**67.** The repeal of—

- (a) section 120 of the 1985 Act or Article 130 of the 1986 Order (reserve liability of limited company), or
- (b) section 124 of the 1985 Act or Article 134 of the 1986 Order (reserve capital of unlimited company),

does not affect the validity of any resolution under those provisions that is in force immediately before 1st October 2009.

### **Reduction of capital confirmed by the court (ss. 645 to 653)**

**68.**—(1) Sections 645 to 651 of the Companies Act 2006 (reduction of capital confirmed by the court) apply where an application to the court is made under section 645(1) on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) It is immaterial for the purposes of such an application whether the resolution for reducing share capital was agreed to before, on or after 1st October 2009.

(3) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order continue to apply where an application to the court has been made under section 136 of that Act or Article 146 of that Order before that date.

(4) For the purposes of an application under section 645(1) any amendments of a company's memorandum contained in a resolution agreed to before 1st October 2009 are treated as amendments of the company's articles.

**69.**—(1) Nothing in section 652 of the Companies Act 2006 (liability of members following reduction of capital) as it applies in relation to a reduction of capital confirmed by the court, or in section 653 of that Act (liability to creditor in case of omission from list of creditors), applies in relation to a reduction of capital in pursuance of an application to the court made before 1st October 2009.

(2) The provisions of section 140 of the 1985 Act or Article 150 of the 1986 Order continue to apply in relation to such a reduction.

### **Cancellation of shares in public company held by or for the company (ss. 662 to 668)**

**70.**—(1) Section 662 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to cancel shares in public company held by or for the company) applies where an event mentioned in section 662(1) or 668(1)(a) to (d) occurs on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 662 also applies where an event mentioned in section 146(1) or 148(1)(a) to (d) of the 1985 Act or Article 156(1) or 158(1)(a) to (d) of the 1986 Order occurred before 1st October 2009, unless before that date—

(a) the company has complied with section 146(2) or Article 156(2), or

(b) the period for compliance specified in section 146(3) or Article 156(3) has expired.

(3) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply in those cases where section 662 does not apply.

**71.**—(1) Section 663 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice of cancellation of shares in public company held by or for the company) applies where the shares referred to in subsection (1) of that section are cancelled on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 122(1)(f) and (2) of the 1985 Act or Article 132(1)(f) and (2) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the shares referred to in section 122(1)(f) or Article 132(1)(f) are cancelled before that date.

**72.**—(1) Sections 664 to 667 of the Companies Act 2006 (re-registration as private company in consequence of cancellation) apply in any case where section 662 of that Act applies (see paragraph 70(1) and (2) above).

(2) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply in any other case.

(3) For the purposes of an application under section 664 made by virtue of paragraph 70(2) above a resolution agreed to before 1st October 2009 under section 147(2) of the 1985 Act or Article 157(2)

of the 1986 Order may be treated as if agreed to under section 664(1) and (2) (and as if amendments of the company's memorandum were amendments of its articles).

### **Redeemable shares (ss. 684 to 689)**

**73.**—(1) Section 686(2) of the Companies Act 2006 (terms allowing for payment on date later than redemption date) applies—

- (a) to shares issued on or after 1st October 2009, and
- (b) to shares issued before that date where the terms of redemption have been amended on or after that date to allow for payment on a date later than the redemption date.

(2) So much of section 159(3) of the 1985 Act or Article 169(3) of the 1986 Order as requires payment on redemption continues to apply in any other case.

**74.**—(1) Section 689 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice to registrar of redemption) applies where shares are redeemed on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 122(1)(e) and (2) of the 1985 Act or Article 132(1)(e) and (2) of the 1986 Order continue to apply where shares are redeemed before that date.

### **Purchase of own shares (ss. 690 to 708)**

**75.** Where immediately before 1st October 2009 a resolution is in force having been passed under any provision of—

- (a) section 164 of the 1985 Act or Article 174 of the 1986 Order (authority for off-market purchase),
- (b) section 165 of the 1985 Act or Article 175 of the 1986 Order (authority for contingent purchase contract),
- (c) section 166 of the 1985 Act or Article 176 of the 1986 Order (authority for market purchase), or
- (d) section 167(2) of the 1985 Act or Article 177(2) of the 1986 Order (release of company's right to purchase own shares),

the resolution has effect on and after that date as if passed under the corresponding provision of the Companies Act 2006 and may be varied, revoked or renewed from time to time accordingly.

**76.**—(1) Sections 693(1)(a) and 694 of the Companies Act 2006 (purchase of own shares: authority for off-market purchase) apply—

- (a) to contracts entered into on or after 1st October 2009, and
- (b) to contracts entered into before that date that—
  - (i) provide that no shares may be purchased in pursuance of the contract until its terms have been authorised by a special resolution of the company, and
  - (ii) are authorised by a special resolution passed on or after that date.

(2) Sections 164 and 165 of the 1985 Act or Articles 174 and 175 of the 1986 Order continue to apply to any other contract entered into before that date.

**77.**—(1) Sections 707 and 708 of the Companies Act 2006 (return to registrar of purchase of own shares and notice of cancellation) apply in relation to shares delivered to the company on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 169 of the 1985 Act or Article 179 of the 1986 Order continues to apply in relation to shares delivered to the company before that date.

### **Power of private company to redeem or purchase own shares out of capital (ss. 709 to 723)**

**78.**—(1) Sections 709 to 723 of the Companies Act 2006 (redemption or purchase by private company out of capital) apply where the directors' statement referred to in section 714 is made on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Sections 171 to 178 of the 1985 Act or Articles 181 to 188 of the 1986 Order continue to apply where the statutory declaration required by section 173(3) or Article 183(3) was made before that date.

### **Treasury shares: disposal (s. 727)**

**79.**—(1) Section 727(1)(a) of the Companies Act 2006 (treasury shares: disposal) applies where the contract for the sale of the shares is entered into on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 162D(1)(a) of the 1985 Act or Article 172D(1)(a) of the 1986 Order continues to apply where the contract for the sale of the shares was entered into before that date.

### **Treasury shares: notice of cancellation (s. 730)**

**80.**—(1) Section 730 of the Companies Act 2006 (treasury shares: notice of cancellation) applies to shares cancelled on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 169A of the 1985 Act or Article 179A of the 1986 Order continues to apply to shares cancelled before that date.

### **Annual returns (ss. 854 to 859)**

**81.**—(1) Sections 854 to 859 of the Companies Act 2006 (a company's annual return) apply to annual returns made up to a date on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Sections 363 to 365 of the 1985 Act or Articles 371 to 373 of the 1986 Order continue to apply to annual returns made up to a date before 1st October 2009.

(3) Any reference in the Companies Act 2006 to a company's last return, or to a return delivered in accordance with Part 24 of that Act, shall be read as including (so far as necessary to ensure the continuity of the law) a return made up to a date before 1st October 2009 or delivered in accordance with the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order.

### **Company charges (ss. 860 to 894)**

**82.**—(1) Sections 860 and 878 of the Companies Act 2006 (charges created by company) apply to charges created on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order continue to apply to charges created before that date.

**83.**—(1) Sections 862 and 880 of the Companies Act 2006 (charges existing on property acquired) apply to property acquired on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Sections 400 and 416 of the 1985 Act or Article 407 of the 1986 Order continue to apply to property acquired before that date.

**84.**—(1) Sections 863 and 882 of the Companies Act 2006 (charge in series of debentures) apply where the first debenture of the series is executed on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or the 1986 Order continue to apply where the first debenture of the series is executed before that date.

**85.**—(1) Section 868 of the Companies Act 2006 (Northern Ireland: registration of certain charges etc affecting land) applies where the date of registration of the charge in the Land Registry is on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Article 408 of the 1986 Order continues to apply where the date of registration of the charge in the Land Registry is before that date.

**86.**—(1) Section 871 of the Companies Act 2006 (notice to registrar of appointment of receiver or manager etc) applies where the order or appointment is made, or the receiver or manager ceases to act, on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 405 of the 1985 Act or Article 413 of the 1986 Order continues to apply where the order or appointment is made, or the receiver or manager ceases to act, before that date.

**87.**—(1) Sections 872 and 887 of the Companies Act 2006 (entries of satisfaction and release) apply to statements delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Section 403 or 419 of the 1985 Act or Article 411 of the 1986 Order continues to apply where the relevant statutory declaration, statement or application and statutory declaration or statement is received by the registrar before that date.

#### **Property of dissolved company (ss. 1012 to 1023)**

**88.**—(1) Sections 1012 to 1023 of the Companies Act 2006 (property of dissolved company) apply in relation to the property of a company dissolved on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) The corresponding provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply in relation to the property of a company dissolved before that date.

#### **Saving for applications to court made before 1st October 2009**

**89.** The repeal of—

- (a) section 651 of the 1985 Act or Article 602 of the 1986 Order (power of court to declare dissolution of company void), or
- (b) section 653 of the 1985 Act or Article 604 of the 1986 Order (objection to striking off by person aggrieved),

does not affect an application made under that section or Article before 1st October 2009.

#### **Application to court for restoration to the register (ss. 1029 to 1032)**

**90.** Sections 1029 to 1032 of the Companies Act 2006 (restoration to register by the court) apply whether the company was dissolved or struck off the register before, on or after 1st October 2009.

**91.**—(1) The following provisions apply where the company was dissolved or struck off the register before 1st October 2009.

(2) In section 1029 (application to court for restoration to register), the references in subsection (1) to enactments under which a company may have been dissolved or struck off include corresponding earlier enactments (and for this purpose sections 1000 and 1003 of that Act are regarded as corresponding to sections 652 and 652A of the 1985 Act and Articles 603 and 603A of the 1986 Order).

(3) No application under section 1029 may be made if an application in respect of the same dissolution or striking off has been made under section 653 of the 1985 Act or Article 604 of the 1986 Order (objection to striking off by person aggrieved), and has not been withdrawn.

(4) Section 1030(4) (general time limit of six years) does not enable an application to be made in respect of a company dissolved before 1st October 2007, subject to sub-paragraphs (5) and (6).

(5) If the company was struck off under section 652 or 652A of the 1985 Act or Article 603 or 603A of the 1986 Order, section 1030(4) does not prevent an application being made at any time before—

- (a) 1st October 2015 (that is, six years after commencement), or
- (b) the expiration of the period of 20 years from publication in the Gazette of notice under the relevant section or Article,

whichever occurs first.

(6) Section 1030(5) (extension of period for application where application for administrative restoration refused) applies in relation to the time limit under sub-paragraph (5) above as in relation to the time limit in section 1030(4).

#### **Effect of restoration to the register where property has vested as bona vacantia (s. 1034)**

**92.**—(1) Section 1034 of the Companies Act 2006 (effect of restoration to the register where property has vested as bona vacantia) applies whenever the company was dissolved.

(2) The following provisions apply where the company was dissolved before 1st October 2009.

(3) The reference in section 1034(1) to section 1012 (property of dissolved company to be bona vacantia) shall be read as a reference to section 654 of the 1985 Act or Article 605 of the 1986 Order (or corresponding earlier provisions).

(4) No deduction is to be made under section 1034(3) (deduction of reasonable costs of Crown representative from amount payable to company) from consideration realised before 1st October 2009.

#### **Registration of companies not formed under companies legislation (ss. 1040 to 1042)**

**93.**—(1) The provisions of Chapter 1 of Part 33 of the Companies Act 2006 (registration of companies not formed under companies legislation) apply to applications for registration received by the registrar on or after 1st October 2009.

(2) Any application for registration under those provisions received by the registrar before that date shall not be entertained.

(3) The provisions of Chapter 2 of Part 22 of the 1985 Act or Chapter 2 of Part 22 of the 1986 Order continue to apply to an application for registration if—

- (a) it is received by the registrar, and
- (b) the requirements as to registration are met in relation to it,

before 1st October 2009.

(4) Any application for registration under that Act or Order in relation to which the requirements as to registration are not met before that date shall be treated as withdrawn.

(5) On an application to which sub-paragraph (1) above applies a resolution agreed to, or other thing done, before 1st October 2009 may be relied on for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

(6) For the purposes of section 1297(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (continuity of the law) as it applies to treat the registration of a company under Chapter 2 of Part 22 of the 1985 Act or Chapter 2 of Part 22 of the 1986 Order as if done under the corresponding provision of the Companies Act 2006, the registration of a company on an application to which sub-paragraph (3) above applies is to be regarded as in force and effective immediately before the commencement of Chapter 1 of Part 33 of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Fees payable to registrar (s. 1063)**

**94.** Any regulations under section 708 of the 1985 Act or Article 657 of the 1986 Order (fees payable to registrar) that are in force immediately before 1st October 2009 have effect on or after that date as if made under section 1063 of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Certificates of incorporation (ss. 1064 and 1065)**

**95.** Section 1064 of the Companies Act 2006 (public notice of issue of certificate of incorporation) applies—

- (a) to certificates of incorporation issued under that Act, and
- (b) to certificates of incorporation issued under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order on or after 1st October 2009.

**96.** Section 1065 of the Companies Act 2006 (right to be provided with copy of certificate of incorporation) applies to certificates of incorporation whenever issued.

### **Delivery of documents to the registrar (ss. 1068 to 1076)**

**97.**—(1) Sections 1068 and 1069 of the Companies Act 2006 (registrar’s requirements as to form, authentication and manner of delivery and power to require delivery by electronic means) apply to documents delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, except those delivered under saved provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply to documents delivered under that Act or Order (before, on or after that date).

(3) Any provision requiring documents to be delivered under the Companies Act 2006 in accordance with the formal requirements applicable under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order does not apply to documents delivered on or after 1st October 2009.

**98.** Section 1070 of the Companies Act 2006 (agreement for delivery by electronic means) applies to documents delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009.

**99.**—(1) Section 1071 of the Companies Act 2006 (document not delivered until received) applies in relation to the delivery of a document to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, except those delivered under saved provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order continue to apply to documents delivered under that Act or Order (before, on or after that date).

**100.**—(1) Sections 1072 to 1074 of the Companies Act 2006 (requirements for proper delivery) apply to documents delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, except those delivered under saved provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order (and the registrar’s former practice with respect to the requirements for proper delivery and documents containing unnecessary material) continue to apply to documents delivered under that Act or Order (before, on or after that date).

**101.**—(1) Section 1075 of the Companies Act 2006 (informal correction of document) applies to all documents delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, except those delivered under saved provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order (and the registrar’s former practice with respect to documents requiring correction) continue to apply to documents delivered under that Act or Order (before, on or after that date).



**102.** Section 1076 of the Companies Act 2006 (replacement of document not meeting requirements for proper delivery) applies to documents to which sections 1072 to 1074 of that Act apply.

#### **Documents subject to Directive disclosure requirements (s. 1078)**

**103.**—(1) This paragraph has effect in relation to section 1078 of the Companies Act 2006 (documents subject to the Directive disclosure requirements) and the adaptations of that section made by paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 1, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2006<sup>(15)</sup>.

(2) Documents subject to the Directive disclosure requirements by virtue of any such adaptation remain subject to the Directive disclosure requirements notwithstanding that the adaptation has ceased to have effect.

(3) The adaptations continue to have effect in relation to documents delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009 in pursuance of saved provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order.

#### **Effect of failure to give public notice (s. 1079)**

**104.** Section 1079 of the Companies Act 2006 (effect of failure to give public notice) continues to have effect as adapted by paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 1, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2006 in relation to any amendment before 1st October 2009 of a company's memorandum.

#### **Annotation of the register (s. 1081)**

**105.**—(1) Section 1081 of the Companies Act 2006 (annotation of the register) applies in relation to documents delivered to and certificates issued by the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, the content of such documents and certificates and material derived from them, subject to sub-paragraph (2)(b) below.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order (and the registrar's former practice with respect to annotation of the register) continue to apply in relation to—

- (a) documents delivered to and certificates issued by the registrar before 1st October 2009, the content of such documents and certificates and material derived from them, and
- (b) documents delivered to and certificates issued by the registrar under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order on or after that date by virtue of a transitional provision or saving, the content of such documents and certificates and material derived from them.

#### **Registrar's notice to resolve inconsistency on the register (s. 1093)**

**106.**—(1) Section 1093 of the Companies Act 2006 (registrar's notice to resolve inconsistency on the register) applies, subject to sub-paragraph (2)(b) below, where—

- (a) a document is delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, and
- (b) it appears to the registrar that the information contained in the document is inconsistent with other information on the register.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order (and the registrar's former practice with respect to inconsistencies on the register) continue to apply in relation to documents—

- (a) delivered to the registrar before 1st October 2009, or

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<sup>(15)</sup> S.I. 2006/3428 (C. 132).

- (b) delivered to the registrar under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order on or after that date by virtue of a transitional provision or saving.

#### **Removal of material from the register (ss. 1094 to 1098)**

**107.**—(1) Sections 1094 to 1098 of the Companies Act 2006 (removal of material from the register) apply in relation to documents delivered to and certificates issued by the registrar on or after 1st October 2009, the content of such documents and certificates and material derived from them, subject to sub-paragraph (2)(b) below.

(2) The provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order (and the registrar's former practice with respect to removal of material from the register) continue to apply in relation to—

- (a) documents delivered to and certificates issued by the registrar before 1st October 2009, the content of such documents and certificates and material derived from them, and
- (b) documents delivered to and certificates issued by the registrar under the 1985 Act or 1986 Order on or after that date by virtue of a transitional provision or saving, the content of such documents and certificates and material derived from them.

#### **Language requirements: transliteration (ss. 1108 to 1110)**

**108.** Sections 1108 to 1110 of the Companies Act 2006 (transliteration of names and addresses) apply in relation to all documents delivered to the registrar on or after 1st October 2009.

#### **General false statement offence (s. 1112)**

**109.** Section 1112 of the Companies Act 2006 (general false statement offence) applies to documents delivered, and statements made, on or after 1st October 2009 otherwise than for the purposes of a saved provision of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order.

#### **Resolution to alter company's objects agreed to before 1st October 2009**

**110.**—(1) The repeal of sections 4 to 6 of the 1985 Act or Articles 15 to 17 of the 1986 Order (resolution to alter company's objects: procedure for objecting to alteration) does not affect the application of those provisions in relation to a resolution agreed to before 1st October 2009.

(2) Where an application is made under section 5 of the 1985 Act or Article 16 of the 1986 Order (application to court for cancellation of alteration) and on or after 1st October 2009—

- (a) the alteration is confirmed (either wholly or in part) by the court, or
- (b) the court by order alters the company's memorandum under section 5(5) or Article 16(5) (alteration in consequence of provision for purchase by company of shares of members of the company),

the alteration has effect, in accordance with section 28 of the Companies Act 2006 (provisions of memorandum treated as provisions of articles), as an alteration of the company's articles of association.

#### **Provision and authentication by registrar of documents sent by electronic means**

**111.**—(1) The repeal of section 710A of the 1985 Act or Article 659A of the 1986 Order (provision and authentication by registrar of documents in non-legible form) does not affect the application of those provisions on or after 1st October 2009 in relation to saved provisions of that Act or Order.

(2) Section 1115(2) of the Companies Act 2006 (authentication in manner specified by registrar's rules) does not apply to a document in relation to which section 710A(2) of the 1985 Act or Article 659A(2) of the 1986 Order applies.

#### **Notice of appointment of certain officers (ss. 1154 and 1155)**

**112.** Sections 1154 and 1155 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to notify registrar of certain appointments etc) apply in relation to appointments made on or after 1st October 2009.

#### **Amendment of memorandum or articles of commonhold association (s. 1283)**

**113.** Section 1283 of the Companies Act 2006 (amendment of memorandum or articles of commonhold association) applies to amendments made on or after 1st October 2009.

#### **Extension of provisions to Northern Ireland (s. 1284)**

**114.—(1)** The extension to Northern Ireland by section 1284 of the Companies Act 2006 of Parts 14 and 15 of the 1985 Act (company investigations) has effect to enable the exercise of the powers conferred by those Parts in relation to companies registered in Northern Ireland, and otherwise in relation to Northern Ireland, on and after 1st October 2009.

(2) Parts 15 and 16 of the 1986 Order, and any other provision of that Order having effect for the purposes of Part 15, continue to apply (subject to sub-paragraph (3) below)—

- (a) in relation to inspectors appointed under Part 15 before 1st October 2009 and matters arising in connection with or in consequence of any such appointment or any report of inspectors so appointed;
- (b) in relation to any exercise before 1st October 2009 of any power of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment in Northern Ireland not within paragraph (a), and matters arising in connection with or in consequence of any such exercise.

(3) A direction in force immediately before 1st October 2009 under Article 438(1A) or 449(1A) of the 1986 Order (direction limiting or relaxing restrictions on shares) shall continue in force and have effect on and after that date as if made under the corresponding provision of Part 14 of the 1985 Act, and the provisions of Part 15 of that Act shall apply accordingly.

#### **Saving for provisions as to form or manner in which documents to be delivered**

**115.—(1)** Any saving in this Schedule for the effect of a provision of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order requiring use of a prescribed form extends to the form and the power under which it is prescribed.

(2) Any saving in this Schedule for the effect of a provision of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order requiring a document to be delivered to the registrar extends to section 707B of the 1985 Act or Article 656B of the 1986 Order (delivery to the registrar using electronic communications) so far as relating to the provision in question and the delivery of documents under it.

#### **Savings for provisions relating to offences**

**116.—(1)** The repeal of any provision of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order creating an offence does not affect the continued operation of that provision in relation to an offence committed before 1st October 2009.

(2) Any saving in this Schedule for the effect of a provision of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order that creates an offence extends to the entry relating to that provision in Schedule 24 to that Act or Schedule 23 to that Order (punishment of offences).

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(3) References in this paragraph to provisions of the 1985 Act or 1986 Order include provisions of regulations or orders made under that Act or Order.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This is the eighth Commencement Order made under the Companies Act 2006 (c.46) (“the Act”). Part 47 and certain provisions in Parts 43, 44 and 46 of the Act came into force on the passing of the Act.

Article 3 brings into force on 1st October 2009 provisions about—

- a company’s formation and constitution
- the capacity of a company, powers of directors to bind it and formalities of doing business under the law of England and Wales, Northern Ireland or Scotland
- a company’s name, including change of name and similarity to other names
- a company’s registered office
- re-registration as a means of altering a company’s status
- a company’s members
- directors, including the register of directors and protecting directors’ residential addresses from disclosure
- the register of secretaries
- a company’s share capital
- the acquisition by a limited company of its own shares
- a company’s annual return
- company charges
- dissolution of a company and restoration to the register
- UK companies not formed under companies legislation
- overseas companies
- the registrar of companies
- offences under the Act and other companies legislation
- company records
- service addresses
- disqualification of foreign directors
- business names
- the extension of the Act and certain other legislation to Northern Ireland.

Once the provisions of the Act which will be brought into force by this Order on 1st October 2009 are in force, all the provisions of the Act will be in force other than sections 327(2)(c) and 330(6) (c) and Part 2 of Schedule 9.

Article 4 and Schedule 1 bring some of the repeals in the Act into force.

Article 5 and Schedule 2 make transitional provisions and savings.

Article 6 revokes all the transitional adaptations that were made to the Act by earlier Commencement Orders. These were required when not all the provisions in the Act were in force but are not now needed.

Article 7 makes transitional provisions relating to the prosecution of offences.

Article 8 ensures that the operation of the continuity of the law provision in section 1297 of the Act is not affected by the other provisions of the Order, except where that is the intention.

### NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The provisions of the Companies Act 2006 in respect of which an entry is made in the table below have been brought into force on the date specified alongside their entry in the second column, by the statutory instrument specified in the third column.

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Section 2	6th April 2007	S.I. 2007/1093, C. 49
Sections 29 and 30	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 44	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 69 to 74	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 82 to 85	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 116 to 119	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 121	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 128	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 145 to 154	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 155 to 159	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 160 and 161	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 168 to 174	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 175 to 177	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 178 to 181	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 182 to 187	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 188 to 239	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 248 to 269 and Schedule 1	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 270 to 274	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 280	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 281 to 307	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 308 and 309	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132

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Sections 310 to 326	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 327(1), (2)(a) and (b) and (3)	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 328 and 329	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 330(1) to (5), (6)(a) and (b) and (7)	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 331 and 332	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 333	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Sections 334 to 361	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 362 to 379 (in respect of England, Wales and Scotland), with exceptions	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 362 to 379 (in respect of Northern Ireland), with exceptions	1st November 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 362 to 367 and 378 so far as not already in force	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 380 to 416	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 417	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 418 to 462	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 463	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 464 to 484	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 485 to 488	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 489 to 539	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 544	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 641(1)(a) and (2) to (6)	1st October 2008	S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83
Sections 642 to 644	1st October 2008	S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83
Section 654	1st October 2008	S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83
Sections 738 to 790	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 791 to 810	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 811(1) to (3)	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
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Sections 1035 to 1039	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 1043	6th April 2007	S.I. 2007/1093, C. 49
Section 1063 (in respect of England, Wales and Scotland)	6th April 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 1068 (except subsection (5)) for limited purposes	15th December 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 1068(5)	1st January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Sections 1077 to 1080	1st January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Sections 1085 to 1092	1st January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Sections 1102 to 1107	1st January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 1111	1st January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 1117 for the purpose of enabling the exercise of powers to make rules	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1121 to 1123 as they apply to offences under Part 14 or 15 of the Companies Act 1985 (c.46)	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 1124 and Schedule 3	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Sections 1125 to 1133 as they apply to offences under Part 14 or 15 of the Companies Act 1985 (c.46)	1st October 2007	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
Section 1126	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 1137(1), (4), (5)(b) and (6)	30th September 2007	S.I. 2007/2607, C. 101
Sections 1143 to 1148 and Schedules 4 and 5	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 1157	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1159 and 1160 and Schedule 6 so far as necessary for the purposes of sections 1209 to 1241 and 1245 to 1264 and Schedules 10, 11, 13 and 14	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1161 and 1162 and Schedule 7	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1164 and 1165	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 1167	30th September 2007	S.I. 2007/2607, C. 101
Section 1169	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
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Section 1175 (removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies) so far as it relates to Part 7 of the Companies Act 1985 and Schedule 9, Part 1	1st April 2008	S.I. 2008/674, C. 26
Sections 1176 to 1179	6th April 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Sections 1209 to 1241 and Schedules 10 and 11	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1242 to 1244 and Schedule 12	29th June 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1245 to 1264 and Schedules 13 and 14	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1277 to 1280	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 1281	6th April 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Section 1282	6th April 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Section 1284 so far as it relates to Part 2 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004	6th April 2007	S.I. 2007/1093, C. 49
Section 1284(2) (partially)	1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
Sections 1286(1)(a) and (2)(a) so far as relating to the application to limited partnerships of the subject matter of Parts 15, 16 and 42	1st October 2008	S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83
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	1st and 6th April and 1st October 2008	S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84
		S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150
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Schedule 15, paragraph 11(2)	1st October 2008	S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83
Sections 2, 1068(1) to (4), (6) and (7), 1114, 1117, 1120, 1168, 1173 and 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 1st January 2007	1st January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132
Sections 2, 1121 and 1122, 1125 to 1131, 1133, 1168, 1173 and 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 20th January 2007	20th January 2007	S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132



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Sections 546, 558, 1060 and 1061, 1121 to 1123, 1125 to 1135, 1138 to 1140, 1168, 1173 and 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 6th April 2007	6th April 2007	<a href="#">S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132</a> <a href="#">S.I. 2007/1093, C. 49</a>
Sections 17, 385, 540(1) and (4), 545, 546, 548, 629, 1121, 1122, 1125, 1127 to 1133, 1158, 1168, 1173 and 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 1st October 2007	1st October 2007	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84</a>
Sections 546, 1158, 1173 and 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 1st November 2007	1st November 2007	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84</a>
Sections 1168 and 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 15th December 2007	15th December 2007	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84</a>
Sections 17, 540(1) and (4), 545, 546, 548, 629, 1121 to 1123, 1125, 1127 to 1133, 1139, 1140, 1168 and 1173 (partially) so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 6th April 2008	6th April 2008	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150</a>
Section 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 6th April 2008 (except sections 1209 to 1241 and 1245 to 1264 and Schedules 10, 11, 13 and 14)	6th April 2008	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150</a>
Sections 1121 to 1123, 1125, 1127 to 1133, 1168 and 1173 (partially) so far as necessary for the purposes of provisions brought into force on 1st October 2008 (except sections 1277 to 1280)	1st October 2008	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150</a>
Sections 610(2) to (4), 652(1) and (3) and 733(5) and (6) so far as relating to sections 641(a) and (2) to (6) and 642 to 644 (brought into force on 1st October 2008)	1st October 2008	<a href="#">S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83</a>
Section 1284 so far as necessary for the purposes of the provisions brought into force on 1st October 2008 (except section 1286(1) (a) and (2)(a))	1st October 2008	<a href="#">S.I. 2007/2194, C. 84</a> <a href="#">S.I. 2007/3495, C. 150</a> <a href="#">S.I. 2008/1886, C. 83</a>
The provisions of the Companies Act 2006, so far as not brought into force by section 1300(1) of that Act, or by articles 2 and 3(1) and (2) of the Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 1, Transitional	20th January 2007	<a href="#">S.I. 2006/3428, C. 132</a>

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