



# Companies Act 2006

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- 1278 Institutions to which information provisions apply
- 1279 Shares to which information provisions apply
- 1280 Obligations with respect to provision of information

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*Disclosure of information under the Enterprise Act 2002*

1281 Disclosure of information under the Enterprise Act 2002

*Expenses of winding up*

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1288 Regulations and orders: statutory instrument

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1292A “Bank of England”

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1293 Meaning of “enactment”

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1294 Power to make consequential amendments etc

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Companies Act 2006

SCHEDULE 1 — Connected persons: references to an interest in shares or debentures

*Introduction*

- 1 (1) The provisions of this Schedule have effect for the...

*General provisions*

- 2 (1) A reference to an interest in shares includes any...

*Rights to acquire shares*

- 3 (1) A person is taken to have an interest in...

*Right to exercise or control exercise of rights*

- 4 (1) A person is taken to have an interest in...

*Bodies corporate*

- 5 (1) A person is taken to be interested in shares...

*Trusts*

- 6 (1) Where an interest in shares is comprised in property...

SCHEDULE 1A — References to people with significant control over a company

PART 1 — THE SPECIFIED CONDITIONS

*Introduction*

- 1 This Part of this Schedule specifies the conditions at least...

*Ownership of shares*

- 2 The first condition is that X holds, directly or indirectly,...

*Ownership of voting rights*

- 3 The second condition is that X holds, directly or indirectly,...

*Ownership of right to appoint or remove directors*

- 4 The third condition is that X holds the right, directly...

*Significant influence or control*

- 5 The fourth condition is that X has the right to...

*Trusts, partnerships etc*

- 6 The fifth condition is that— (a) the trustees of a...

PART 2 — HOLDING AN INTEREST IN A COMPANY ETC

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### *Introduction*

7 This Part of this Schedule specifies the circumstances in which,...

### *Holding an interest*

8 (1) V holds an interest in company W if—

### *Interests held through a legal entity*

9 (1) This paragraph applies where V— (a) holds an interest...

### PART 3 — SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION

### *Introduction*

10 This Part sets out rules for the interpretation of this...

### *Joint interests*

11 If two or more persons each hold a share or...

### *Joint arrangements*

12 (1) If shares or rights held by a person and...

### *Calculating shareholdings*

13 (1) In relation to a legal entity that has a...

### *Voting rights*

14 (1) A reference to the voting rights in a legal...

15 In applying this Schedule, the voting rights in a legal...

### *Rights to appoint or remove members of the board*

16 A reference to the right to appoint or remove a...

17 References to a board of directors, in the case of...

### *Shares or rights held “indirectly”*

18 (1) A person holds a share “indirectly” if the person...

### *Shares held by nominees*

19 A share held by a person as nominee for another...

### *Rights treated as held by person who controls their exercise*

20 (1) Where a person controls a right, the right is...

21 (1) “Arrangement” includes— (a) any scheme, agreement or...

### *Rights exercisable only in certain circumstances etc*

22 (1) Rights that are exercisable only in certain circumstances are...

### *Rights attached to shares held by way of security*

23 Rights attached to shares held by way of security provided...

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*Significant influence or control*

- 24 (1) The Secretary of State must issue guidance about the...

*Limited partnerships*

- 25 (1) An individual does not meet the specified condition in...  
PART 4 — POWER TO AMEND THRESHOLDS ETC  
26 (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend this...

SCHEDULE 1B — Enforcement of disclosure requirements

*Right to issue restrictions notice*

- 1 (1) This paragraph applies if— (a) a notice under section...

*Relevant interests*

- 2 (1) For the purposes of this Schedule, a person has...

*Effect of restrictions notice*

- 3 (1) The effect of a restrictions notice issued under paragraph...

*Protection of third party rights*

- 4 (1) The court may give a direction under this paragraph...

*Breach of restrictions*

- 5 (1) A person commits an offence if the person does...  
6 If shares in a company are issued in contravention of...  
7 (1) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph 5...

*Relaxation of restrictions*

- 8 (1) An application may be made to the court for...

*Orders for sale*

- 9 (1) The court may order that the relevant interest subject...  
10 (1) If a relevant interest is sold in pursuance of...

*Company's power to withdraw restrictions notice*

- 11 A company that issues a person with a restrictions notice...

*Supplementary provision*

- 12 (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision...

*Offence of failing to comply with notices*

- 13 (1) A person to whom a notice under section 790D...

*Offence of failing to provide information*

- 14 (1) A person commits an offence if the person—

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*False statements: basic offence*

14A (1) A person commits an offence if, in purported compliance...

*False statements: aggravated offence*

14B (1) A person commits an offence if, in purported compliance...

SCHEDULE 1C — Rules of the Takeover Panel: general principles and other provision

PART 1 — GENERAL PRINCIPLES

- 1 (1) All holders of the securities of an offeree company...
- 2 (1) The holders of the securities of an offeree company...
- 3 The board of directors of an offeree company must act...
- 4 False markets must not be created in the securities of—...
- 5 An offeror must announce a takeover bid only after—
- 6 An offeree company must not be hindered in the conduct...

PART 2 — OTHER PROVISION

*Protection of minority shareholders, the mandatory takeover bid and the equitable price*

- 7 (1) Rules must ensure that a person (“P”) is required...
- 8 (1) For the purposes of paragraph 7, “the equitable price”...
- 9 (1) Rules must ensure that the offeror may offer by...
- 10 Any rules that make provision to protect the interests of...

*Information concerning takeover bids*

- 11 (1) Rules must ensure that a decision to make a...
- 12 (1) Rules must ensure that an offeror must draw up...

*Time allowed for acceptance*

- 13 (1) Rules must ensure that, subject to any provision made...
- 14 (1) Rules may contain provision changing the time allowed for...

*Disclosure*

- 15 Rules must ensure that a takeover bid must be made...
- 16 Rules must ensure that all information and documents required by...

*Obligations of the board of directors of the offeree company*

- 17 (1) Rules must ensure that, during the relevant period, the...
- 18 (1) Rules must ensure that the board of directors of...

*Other rules applicable to the conduct of takeover bids*

- 19 Rules must make provision governing the conduct of takeover bids...

*Interpretation*

- 20 (1) In this Schedule— “offer document” means a document required...
- 21 (1) In this Schedule, other than in the listed provisions,...

SCHEDULE 2 — Specified persons, descriptions of disclosures etc for the purposes of section 948



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## PART 1 — SPECIFIED PERSONS

### (A) UNITED KINGDOM

- 1 The Secretary of State.
- 2 The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment for Northern Ireland....
- 3 The Treasury.
- 4 The Bank of England.
- 5 The Financial Services Authority.
- 6 The Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs.
- 7 The Lord Advocate.
- 8 The Director of Public Prosecutions.
- 9 The Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland.
- 10 A constable.
- 11 A procurator fiscal.
- 12 The Scottish Ministers.

### (B) JERSEY

- 1 The Minister for Economic Development.
- 2 The Minister for Treasury and Resources.
- 3 The Jersey Financial Services Commission.
- 4 The Comptroller of Income Tax.
- 5 The Agent of the Impôts.
- 6 Her Majesty's Attorney General for Jersey.
- 7 The Viscount.
- 8 A police officer (within the meaning of the Interpretation (Jersey)...

### (C) GUERNSEY

- 1 The Commerce and Employment Department.
- 2 The Treasury and Resources Department.
- 3 The Guernsey Financial Services Commission.
- 4 The Director of Income Tax.
- 5 The Chief Officer of Customs and Excise.
- 6 Her Majesty's Procureur.
- 7 A police officer (within the meaning of the Companies (Guernsey)...

### (D) ISLE OF MAN

- 1 (1) The members and officers of each of the Departments...
- 2 The Treasury of the Isle of Man.
- 3 The Financial Supervision Commission of the Isle of Man.
- 4 Her Majesty's Attorney General of the Isle of Man.
- 5 A constable (within the meaning of the Interpretation Act 1976...

## PART 2 — SPECIFIED DESCRIPTIONS OF DISCLOSURES

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(A) UNITED KINGDOM

- 1 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 2 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 3 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 4 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 5 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 6 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 7 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 8 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 9 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 10 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 11 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 12 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 13 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 14 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 15 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 16 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 17 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 18 . . . . .
- 19 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 20 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 21 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 22 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 23 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 24 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting organs...
- 25 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 26 . . . . .
- 27 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
- 28 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 29 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 30 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 31 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 32 A disclosure by the Gambling Commission to the Comptroller and...
- 33 A disclosure for the purposes of enabling or assisting a...
- 34 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 35 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 36A A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 36 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 37 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 38 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 39 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 40 (1) A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting...
- 41 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 42 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 43 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
- 44 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 45 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 46 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 47 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 48 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
- 49 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...

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- 50 A disclosure for the purposes of proceedings before a tribunal...
- 51 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 52 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...
- 53 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...

#### (B) JERSEY

- 1 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 2 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 3 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 4 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 5 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 6 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 7 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 8 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting Her...
- 9 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting Her...
- 10 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 11 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
- 12 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...
- 13 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...

#### (C) GUERNSEY

- 1 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 2 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 3 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting Her...
- 4 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 5 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting any...
- 6 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
- 7 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...
- 8 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...

#### (D) ISLE OF MAN

- 1 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 2 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
- 3 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 4 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 5 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 6 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 7 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 8 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
- 9 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting—
- 10 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 11 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 12 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 13 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting Her...
- 14 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
- 15 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
- 16 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...

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- 17 (1) A disclosure with a view to the institution of,...

(E) GENERAL

- 1 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting—  
 2 (1) A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting...  
 3 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...  
 4 A disclosure for the purpose of the provision of a...  
 5 A disclosure in pursuance of any EU obligation.
- PART 3 — OVERSEAS REGULATORY BODIES
- 1 (1) A disclosure is made in accordance with this Part...  
 2 In determining whether to disclose information to a person or...

SCHEDULE 3 — Amendments of remaining provisions of the Companies Act 1985 relating to offences

*Failure to give information about interests in shares etc*

- 1 (1) In subsection (3) of section 444 of the Companies...

*Obstruction of rights conferred by a warrant or failure to comply with requirement under section 448*

- 2 (1) In section 448(7) of the Companies Act 1985 (obstruction...

*Wrongful disclosure of information to which section 449 applies*

- 3 (1) Section 449 of the Companies Act 1985 (wrongful disclosure...

*Destruction, mutilation etc of company documents*

- 4 (1) For subsection (3) of section 450 of the Companies...

*Provision of false information in purported compliance with section 447*

- 5 (1) For subsection (2) of section 451 of the Companies...

*Obstruction of inspector, etc exercising power to enter and remain on premises*

- 6 (1) Section 453A of the Companies Act 1985 (obstruction of...

*Attempted evasion of restrictions under Part 15*

- 7 (1) In subsection (1) of section 455 of the Companies...

SCHEDULE 4 — Documents and information sent or supplied to a company  
Part 1 — INTRODUCTION

*Application of Schedule*

- 1 (1) This Schedule applies to documents or information sent or...  
Part 2 — COMMUNICATIONS IN HARD COPY FORM

*Introduction*

- 2 A document or information is validly sent or supplied to...

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*Method of communication in hard copy form*

- 3 (1) A document or information in hard copy form may...

*Address for communications in hard copy form*

- 4 A document or information in hard copy form may be...

PART 2A — COMMUNICATIONS IN ELECTRONIC FORM FROM THE REGISTRAR  
OR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

- 4A (1) A document or information is validly sent or supplied...

Part 3 — COMMUNICATIONS IN ELECTRONIC FORM IN OTHER CASES

*Introduction*

- 5 A document or information is validly sent or supplied to...

*Conditions for use of communications in electronic form*

- 6 A document or information may only be sent or supplied...

*Address for communications in electronic form*

- 7 (1) Where the document or information is sent or supplied...

Part 4 — OTHER AGREED FORMS OF COMMUNICATION

- 8 A document or information that is sent or supplied to...

SCHEDULE 5 — Communications by a company

Part 1 — INTRODUCTION

*Application of this Schedule*

- 1 This Schedule applies to documents or information sent or supplied...

Part 2 — COMMUNICATIONS IN HARD COPY FORM

*Introduction*

- 2 A document or information is validly sent or supplied by...

*Method of communication in hard copy form*

- 3 (1) A document or information in hard copy form must...

*Address for communications in hard copy form*

- 4 (1) A document or information in hard copy form may...

Part 3 — COMMUNICATIONS IN ELECTRONIC FORM

*Introduction*

- 5 A document or information is validly sent or supplied by...

*Agreement to communications in electronic form*

- 6 A document or information may only be sent or supplied...

*Address for communications in electronic form*

- 7 (1) Where the document or information is sent or supplied...

Part 4 — COMMUNICATIONS BY MEANS OF A WEBSITE

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*Use of website*

- 8 A document or information is validly sent or supplied by...

*Agreement to use of website*

- 9 A document or information may only be sent or supplied...

*Deemed agreement of members of company etc to use of website*

- 10 (1) This paragraph applies to a document or information to...

*Deemed agreement of debenture holders to use of website*

- 11 (1) This paragraph applies to a document or information to...

*Availability of document or information*

- 12 (1) A document or information authorised or required to be...

*Notification of availability*

- 13 (1) The company must notify the intended recipient of—

*Period of availability on website*

- 14 (1) The company must make the document or information available...

Part 5 — OTHER AGREED FORMS OF COMMUNICATION

- 15 A document or information that is sent or supplied otherwise...

Part 6 — SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

*Joint holders of shares or debentures*

- 16 (1) This paragraph applies in relation to documents or information...

*Death or bankruptcy of holder of shares*

- 17 (1) This paragraph has effect in the case of the...

SCHEDULE 6 — Meaning of “subsidiary” etc: supplementary provisions

*Introduction*

- 1 The provisions of this Part of this Schedule explain expressions...

*Voting rights in a company*

- 2 In section 1159(1)(a) and (c) the references to the voting...

*Right to appoint or remove a majority of the directors*

- 3 (1) In section 1159(1)(b) the reference to the right to...

*Rights exercisable only in certain circumstances or temporarily incapable of exercise*

- 4 (1) Rights which are exercisable only in certain circumstances shall...

*Rights held by one person on behalf of another*

- 5 Rights held by a person in a fiduciary capacity shall...

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6 (1) Rights held by a person as nominee for another...

*Rights attached to shares held by way of security*

7 Rights attached to shares held by way of security shall...

*Rights attributed to holding company*

8 (1) Rights shall be treated as held by a holding...

*Disregard of certain rights*

9 The voting rights in a company shall be reduced by...

*Supplementary*

10 References in any provision of paragraphs 5 to 9 to...

SCHEDULE 7 — Parent and subsidiary undertakings: supplementary provisions

*Introduction*

1 The provisions of this Schedule explain expressions used in section...

*Voting rights in an undertaking*

2 (1) In section 1162(2)(a) and (d) the references to the...

*Right to appoint or remove a majority of the directors*

3 (1) In section 1162(2)(b) the reference to the right to...

*Right to exercise dominant influence*

4 (1) For the purposes of section 1162(2)(c) an undertaking shall...

*Rights exercisable only in certain circumstances or temporarily incapable of exercise*

5 (1) Rights which are exercisable only in certain circumstances shall...

*Rights held by one person on behalf of another*

6 Rights held by a person in a fiduciary capacity shall...

7 (1) Rights held by a person as nominee for another...

*Rights attached to shares held by way of security*

8 Rights attached to shares held by way of security shall...

*Rights attributed to parent undertaking*

9 (1) Rights shall be treated as held by a parent...

*Disregard of certain rights*

10 The voting rights in an undertaking shall be reduced by...

*Supplementary*

11 References in any provision of paragraphs 6 to 10 to...

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SCHEDULE 8 — Index of defined expressions

SCHEDULE 9 — Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies

Part 1 — THE COMPANIES ACT 1985 (C. 6)

- 1 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 2 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 3 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 4 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 5 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 6 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 7 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 8 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies

Part 2 — THE COMPANIES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1986 (S.I. 1986/1032 (N.I. 6))

- 9 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 10 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 11 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 12 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 13 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 14 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 15 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies
- 16 Removal of special provisions about accounts and audit of charitable companies

SCHEDULE 10 — Recognised supervisory bodies

Part 1 — GRANT AND REVOCATION OF RECOGNITION OF A SUPERVISORY BODY

*Application for recognition of supervisory body*

- 1 (1) A supervisory body may apply to the Secretary of...

*Grant and refusal of recognition*

- 2 (1) The Secretary of State may, on an application duly...



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*Revocation of recognition*

3 (1) A recognition order in respect of a body may...

*Transitional provision*

4 A recognition order made and not revoked under—

*Orders not statutory instruments*

5 Orders under this Part of this Schedule shall not be...

Part 2 — REQUIREMENTS FOR RECOGNITION OF A SUPERVISORY BODY

*Delegation etc. of tasks by competent authority*

5A The body (“B”) must have rules providing that—

*Consultation*

5B The body must consult with the competent authority and with...

*Holding of appropriate qualification*

6 (1) The body must have rules to the effect that...

7 (1) This paragraph explains what is meant in paragraph 6(1)(b)...

7A (1) The body must have rules and practices governing the...

*Auditors to be fit and proper persons*

8 (1) The body must have adequate rules and practices designed...

*Professional integrity and independence*

9 (1) The body must have adequate rules and practices designed...

*Technical standards*

10 (1) The body must have rules and practices as to—...

*Technical standards for group audits*

10A (1) The body must have rules and practices as to...

*Public interest entity reporting requirements*

10B .....

*Public interest entity independence requirements*

10C (1) .....

*Procedures for maintaining competence*

11 The body must have rules and practices designed to ensure...

*Monitoring and enforcement*

12 (1) The body must— (a) have adequate resources for the...

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*Monitoring of audits*

- 13 (1) The body must— (a) have adequate arrangements for enabling...

*Membership, eligibility and enforcement*

- 14 The rules and practices of the body relating to—

*Investigation of complaints*

- 15 (1) The body must have effective arrangements for the investigation...

*Independent investigation for enforcement purposes*

- 16 (1) The body must have rules and practices designed to...

*Transfer of papers to third countries*

- 16A (1) The body must have adequate rules and practices designed...

*Transfer to approved third country competent authority*

- 16AA The requirements of this paragraph are that—

*Transfer for purposes of investigation of auditor*

- 16AB (1) The requirements of this paragraph are that—

*Meeting of claims arising out of audit work*

- 17 (1) The body must have adequate rules or arrangements designed...

*Register of auditors and other information to be made available*

- 18 The body must have rules requiring persons eligible under its...

*Taking account of costs of compliance*

- 19 The body must have satisfactory arrangements for taking account, in...

*Promotion and maintenance of standards*

- 20 The body must be able and willing—

*Supplementary: funding of arrangements*

- 20ZA (1) This paragraph applies where, under regulation 3 of the...

*Interpretation*

- 20A (1) In this Part of this Schedule— “ the Audit...  
Part 3 — ARRANGEMENTS IN WHICH RECOGNISED SUPERVISORY BODIES  
ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE

*Arrangements for setting standards relating to professional integrity and independence*

- 21 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

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*Arrangements for setting technical standards*

- 22 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Arrangements for setting standards relating to public interest entity reporting requirements*

- 22A Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Arrangements for setting standards relating to public interest entity independence requirements*

- 22B Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Arrangements for independent monitoring of audits of listed companies and other major bodies*

- 23 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Arrangements for independent monitoring of third country audits*

- 23A Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Arrangements for independent investigation for disciplinary purposes of public interest cases*

- 24 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Supplementary: arrangements to operate independently of body*

- 25 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Supplementary: funding of arrangements*

- 26 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

*Supplementary: scope of arrangement*

- 27 Arrangements in which recognised supervisory bodies are required to participate

SCHEDULE 11 — Recognised professional qualifications

Part 1 — GRANT AND REVOCATION OF RECOGNITION OF A PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION

*Application for recognition of professional qualification*

- 1 (1) A qualifying body may apply to the Secretary of...

*Grant and refusal of recognition*

- 2 (1) The Secretary of State may, on an application duly...

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*Revocation of recognition*

- 3 (1) A recognition order may be revoked by a further...

*Transitional provision*

- 4 A recognition order made and not revoked under—

*Orders not statutory instruments*

- 5 Orders under this Part of this Schedule shall not be...

Part 2 — REQUIREMENTS FOR RECOGNITION OF A PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION

*Entry requirements*

- 6 (1) The qualification must only be open to persons who—...

*Requirement for theoretical instruction or professional experience*

- 7 (1) The qualification must be restricted to persons who—

*Examination*

- 8 (1) The qualification must be restricted to persons who have...

*Practical training*

- 9 (1) The qualification must be restricted to persons who have...

*Supplementary provision with respect to a sufficient period of professional experience*

- 10 (1) Periods of theoretical instruction in the fields of finance,...

*The body offering the qualification*

- 11 (1) The body offering the qualification must have—

SCHEDULE 11A — Specified persons, descriptions, disclosures etc for the purposes of section 1224A

PART 1 — SPECIFIED PERSONS

- 1 The Secretary of State.
- 2 The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment for Northern Ireland...
- 3 The Treasury.
- 4 The Bank of England.
- 5 The Financial Services Authority.
- 6 The Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs.
- 7 The Lord Advocate.
- 8 The Director of Public Prosecutions.
- 9 The Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland.
- 10 A constable.
- 11 A procurator fiscal.
- 12 The Scottish Ministers.
- 13 A body designated by the Secretary of State under section...
- 14 A recognised supervisory body.
- 15 A recognised qualifying body.

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- 16 The competent authority.
  - 17 The Independent Supervisor.
  - 17A A recognised supervisory body as defined in section 1217(4) and...
  - 17B A recognised qualifying body as defined in section 1219(13) as...
  - 17C A body designated by the Secretary of State under section...
  - 17D A body with which a recognised supervisory body within the...
- PART 2 — SPECIFIED DESCRIPTIONS OF DISCLOSURES
- 18 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 19 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
  - 20 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 21 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 22 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 23 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 24 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 25 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
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  - 32 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 33 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 34 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 35 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 36 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting—
  - 37 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 38 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting organs...
  - 39 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 40 Specified persons, descriptions, disclosures for the purposes of section 1224A
  - 41 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 42 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
  - 43 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 44 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 45 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 46 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 47 A disclosure by the Gambling Commission to the Comptroller and...
  - 48 A disclosure for the purposes of enabling or assisting a...
  - 49 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
  - 50 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
  - 51 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 51A A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 52 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 53 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 54 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 55 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 56 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 57 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 58 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 59 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 60 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 61 A disclosure for the purpose of making available to an...

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- 62 A disclosure for the purpose of making available to the...
  - 63 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
  - 64 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 65 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 66 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting an...
  - 67 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting the...
  - 68 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 69 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 70 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 71 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 72 A disclosure for the purposes of proceedings before the Financial...
  - 73 A disclosure for the purposes of proceedings before a tribunal...
  - 74 A disclosure for the purpose of enabling or assisting a...
  - 75 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 76 A disclosure with a view to the institution of, or...
  - 77 A disclosure for the purpose of the provision of a...
  - 78 A disclosure in pursuance of any assimilated obligation .
- PART 3 — OVERSEAS REGULATORY BODIES
- 79 A disclosure is made in accordance with this Part of...
  - 80 A disclosure is made in accordance with this Part of...

#### SCHEDULE 12 — Arrangements in which registered third country auditors are required to participate

##### *Arrangements for independent monitoring of audits of UK-traded third country companies*

- 1 (1) The arrangements referred to in section 1242(1)(a) are appropriate...

##### *Arrangements for independent investigations for disciplinary purposes*

- 2 (1) The arrangements referred to in section 1242(1)(b) are appropriate...

##### *Supplementary: arrangements to operate independently of third country auditor*

- 3 (1) This paragraph applies for the purposes of—

##### *Supplementary: funding of arrangements*

- 4 (1) The registered third country auditor must pay any of...

##### *Supplementary: scope of arrangements*

- 5 Arrangements may qualify as arrangements within either of paragraphs 1...

##### *Specification of particular arrangements by the Secretary of State*

- 6 (1) If there exist two or more sets of arrangements...

#### SCHEDULE 13 — Supplementary provisions with respect to delegation order

##### *Operation of this Schedule*

- 1 (1) This Schedule has effect in relation to a body...

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*Status*

- 2 The body is not to be regarded as acting on...

*Name, members and chairman*

- 3 (1) The body is to be known by such name...

*Financial provisions*

- 4 (1) The body must pay to its chairman and members...

*Proceedings*

- 5 (1) The delegation order may contain such provision as the...

*Fees*

- 6 (1) The body may retain fees payable to it.

*Legislative functions*

- 7 (1) Regulations or an order made by the body in...  
8 (1) Immediately after an instrument is made it must be...  
9 (1) The production of a printed copy of an instrument...

*Report and accounts*

- 10 (1) The body must, at least once in each calendar...

*Other supplementary provisions*

- 11 (1) The transfer of a function to a body designated...  
12 Where a delegation order is revoked, the Secretary of State...  
13 (1) This paragraph applies where the body is an unincorporated...

SCHEDULE 14 — Statutory auditors: consequential amendments

*Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 (c. 27)*

- 1 (1) Section 16 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community...

SCHEDULE 15 — Transparency obligations and related matters: minor and consequential amendments

Part 1 — AMENDMENTS OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000

- 1 Part 6 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000...  
2 In section 73 (general duty of competent authority), after subsection...  
3 In section 73A (Part 6 Rules), after subsection (5) insert—...  
4 For the cross-heading before section 90 substitute “ Compensation for...  
5 For the heading to section 90 substitute “ Compensation for...  
6 (1) Section 91 (penalties for breach of Part 6 rules)...  
7 In section 96B (persons discharging managerial responsibilities and connected persons)—...  
8 In section 97(1) (appointment by the competent authority of persons...  
9 In section 99 (fees) after subsection (1B) insert—

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- 10 (1) Section 102A (meaning of “securities” etc) is amended as...
- 11 (1) Section 103(1) (interpretation of Part 6) is amended as...
- 12 In section 429(2) (Parliamentary control of statutory instruments: affirmative procedure)...
- Part 2 — AMENDMENTS OF THE COMPANIES (AUDIT, INVESTIGATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE) ACT 2004
- 13 Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations...
- 14 (1) Section 14 (supervision of periodic accounts and reports of...
- 15 (1) Section 15 (application of certain company law provisions to...

SCHEDULE 16 — Repeals



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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Pt. 3 Ch. 3 excluded by [2008 c. 12 \(N.I.\) s. 112\(7\)](#)
- s. 155 omitted by [2015 c. 26 s. 87\(2\)](#)
- s. 156(1) words substituted by [2015 c. 26 s. 87\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 156(4) words substituted by [2015 c. 26 s. 87\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 394C(2)(b) substituted by [S.I. 2019/145 Sch. 2 para. 6\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 6(a) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 10(a))
- s. 414A(5) applied by S.I. 2008/373, reg. 4A(2) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 5](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)
- s. 414D(1)(2) applied (with modifications) by S.I. 2008/373, reg. 4A(1) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 5](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)
- s. 422A applied (with modifications) by S.I. 2008/373, reg. 6A (as inserted) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 6](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)
- s. 448C(2)(b) substituted by [S.I. 2019/145 Sch. 2 para. 14\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 14(a) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 10(b))
- s. 474(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2017/1255 reg. 7\(b\)](#) (The effect has not been applied because paragraph (c) of the definition in which the substitution of the word takes place was itself fully substituted on the same date.)
- s. 479A amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/1911, reg. 34A by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 50\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 50(b) substituted by reg. 50(b)(c) immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 7)
- s. 479A(1)(b) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 4\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 4 substituted by regs. 4, 4A immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 4)
- s. 479A(2)(c)(i) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 4\(b\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 4 substituted by regs. 4, 4A immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 4)
- s. 495(2)-(4) applied (with modifications) by [2009 c. 20 s. 44\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 495(2)-(4) applied (with modifications) by [2009 c. 20 s. 44\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 496-501 applied (with modifications) by [2009 c. 20 s. 44\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 498-501 applied (with modifications) by [2009 c. 20 s. 44\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 834(5) words inserted by [2009 c. 10 Sch. 22 para. 11\(4\)](#)
- s. 854-859 amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2009/2436, Sch. 2 para 13(1) by [S.I. 2017/693 reg. 34](#)
- s. 1081 amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2009/1803, reg. 64 by [S.I. 2024/54 reg. 14](#)
- s. 1087 amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2009/1803, reg. 66 by [S.I. 2024/54 reg. 15](#)
- s. 1093-1098 amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2009/1803, reg. 67 by [S.I. 2024/54 reg. 16](#)
- s. 1095 amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2004/2326, Sch. 1A para. 5 by [S.I. 2024/410 Sch. 2 para. 2\(2\)\(b\)](#)

- s. 1253D(2)(f) omitted by [S.I. 2010/2537 reg. 4\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 1(3) and 4 revoked (17.6.2016) without ever being in force by S.I. 2016/649, reg. 22. Reg. 1(3) was previously substituted by S.I. 2013/1672, reg. 13 thereby changing the commencement date for this amendment to 1.8.2016.)
- s. 1253D(2)(g) omitted by [S.I. 2010/2537 reg. 4\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 1(3) and 4 revoked (17.6.2016) without ever being in force by S.I. 2016/649, reg. 22. Reg. 1(3) was previously substituted by S.I. 2013/1672, reg. 13 thereby changing the commencement date for this amendment to 1.8.2016.)
- s. 1253E(8) words substituted by [S.I. 2010/2537 reg. 4\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 1(3) and 4 revoked (17.6.2016) without ever being in force by S.I. 2016/649, reg. 22. Reg. 1(3) was previously substituted by S.I. 2013/1672, reg. 13 thereby changing the commencement date for this amendment to 1.8.2016.)
- s. 1253E(8)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2010/2537 reg. 4\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 1(3) and 4 revoked (17.6.2016) without ever being in force by S.I. 2016/649, reg. 22. Reg. 1(3) was previously substituted by S.I. 2013/1672, reg. 13 thereby changing the commencement date for this amendment to 1.8.2016.)
- s. 1253DE(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2010/2537 reg. 4\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 1(3) and 4 revoked (17.6.2016) without ever being in force by S.I. 2016/649, reg. 22. Reg. 1(3) was previously substituted by S.I. 2013/1672, reg. 13 thereby changing the commencement date for this amendment to 1.8.2016.)
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- Sch. 1 para. 6(4) words inserted by [2008 c. 12 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8 para. 13\(6\)](#)
- Sch. 10 para. 6(1)(c) substituted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 28\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 28(a) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(e)(ii))
- Sch. 10 para. 7(2)(a)(ii) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 29\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 29 substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(f))
- Sch. 10 para. 7(2)(b)(ii) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 29\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 29 substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(f))

#### **Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/373 reg. 11(1) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 9\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)
- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/373 reg. 3(4) by [S.I. 2013/1971 reg. 4](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg. 2)

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

- s. 479A(2)(c)(zi) inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 4\(b\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 4 substituted by regs. 4, 4A immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 4)
- Sch. 10 para. 6(2D) inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 28\(e\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 28(e) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(e)(iv))

- Sch. 10 para. 7(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/177 reg. 29\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 29 substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(f))