
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 439

**The Equality Act (Sexual Orientation)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006**

Aiding unlawful acts

24.—(1) A person who knowingly aids another person to do an act made unlawful by these Regulations shall be treated for the purposes of these Regulations as himself doing the same kind of unlawful act.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) an employee or agent for whose act the employer or principal is liable under regulation 23 (or would be so liable but for regulation 23(5)) shall be taken to have aided the employer or principal to do the act.

(3) For the purposes of this regulation, a person does not knowingly aid another to do an unlawful act if —

- (a) he acts in reliance on a statement made to him by that other person that, by reason of any provision of these Regulations, the act which he aids would not be unlawful; and
- (b) it would be reasonable for him to rely on the statement.

(4) A person who knowingly or recklessly makes a statement such as is mentioned in paragraph (3)(a) which in a material respect is false or misleading shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.