



Interpretation Act 1978

1978 CHAPTER 30

Repealing enactments

17 Repeal and re-enactment.

- (1) Where an Act repeals a previous enactment and substitutes provisions for the enactment repealed, the repealed enactment remains in force until the substituted provisions come into force.
- (2) Where an Act repeals and re-enacts, with or without modification, a previous enactment then, unless the contrary intention appears,—
 - (a) any reference in any other enactment to the enactment so repealed shall be construed as a reference to the provision re-enacted;
 - (b) in so far as any subordinate legislation made or other thing done under the enactment so repealed, or having effect as if so made or done, could have been made or done under the provision re-enacted, it shall have effect as if made or done under that provision.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 17 saved (E.W.) (1.12.1991) by [Water Industry Act 1991](#) (c. 56, SIF 130), **ss. 140, 223(2)**
- C2** S. 17 excluded (S.) (1.7.2005) by [The Cereal Seed \(Scotland\) Regulations 2005](#) (S.S.I. 2005/328), **reg. 28(2)**
S. 17 excluded (S.) (1.7.2005) by [The Fodder Plant Seed \(Scotland\) Regulations 2005](#) (S.S.I. 2005/329), **reg. 28(2)**
S. 17 excluded (W.) (18.11.2005) by [The Vegetable Seed \(Wales\) Regulations 2005](#) (S.I. 2005/3035), **reg. 32(2)**
S. 17 excluded (W.) (18.11.2005) by [The Cereal Seed \(Wales\) Regulations 2005](#) (S.I. 2005/3036), **reg. 32(2)**
S. 17 excluded (W.) (18.11.2005) by [The Beet Seed \(Wales\) Regulations 2005](#) (S.I. 2005/3037), **reg. 29(2)**
- C3** S. 17 excluded (S.) (20.4.2010) by [The Beet Seed \(Scotland\) Regulations 2010](#) (S.S.I. 2010/67), **regs. 1(1), 25(2)** (which amending S.S.I. was revoked by [S.S.I. 2010/148, reg. 25\(1\)](#)) and s. 17 excluded (S.) (20.4.2010) by [The Beet Seed \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2010](#) (S.S.I. 2010/148), **regs. 1(2), 25(3)**

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- C4** S. 17(2) excluded (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 16, ss. 103, 104(1), **Sch. 8 Pt. I para. 1(6)(7)**
 S. 17(2) excluded (E.W.S.) (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 17, ss. 44, 46, **Sch. 2 Pt. I paras. 1-5** (with s. 38)
 S. 17(2) excluded (E.W.S.) (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 18, ss. 241, 243, **Sch. 2 Pt. I paras. 1-5** (with ss. 191-195, 202)
 S. 17(2) excluded (21.7.1997) by 1997 c. 22, s. 27, **Sch. 2 paras. 1-5**; S.I. 1997/1672, **art. 2**
 S. 17(2) excluded (E.W.) (19.6.1997) by 1997 c. 25, ss. 73(1), 74(1), **Sch. 4 Pt. I para. 1(6)**
 S. 17(2) excluded (E.W.) (11.9.1998) by 1998 c. 18, ss. 54(2), 55(2), **Sch. 4 para. 6**
 S. 17(2) excluded (E.W.) (25.8.2000) by 2000 c. 6, ss. 165(3), 168(1), **Sch. 11 Pt. I para. 1(5)**
 S. 17(2) excluded (22.3.2001 with effect in accordance with s. 579(1) of the excluding Act) by 2001 c. 2, s. 579, **Sch. 3 Pt. I para. 6**
 S. 17(2) excluded (24.10.2002) by 2002 c. 24, ss. 14, 18(2), **Sch. 2 para. 5**
 S. 17(2) excluded (6.4.2003 with effect in accordance with s. 723(1)(a)(b) of the excluding Act) by **The Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003** (c. 1), s. 723, **Sch. 7 para. 6** (subject to Sch. 7)
 S. 17(2) excluded (6.4.2005 with effect in accordance with s. 883(1)(a)(b) of the excluding Act) by **The Income Tax (Trading and other Income) Act 2005** (c. 5), s. 883, **Sch. 2 para. 6(1)**
 S. 17(2) excluded (8.2.2007) by **The Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006** (c. 36), ss. 124, 126, **Sch. 8 para. 5**
 S. 17(2) excluded (1.3.2007) by **The National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006** (c. 43), ss. 4, 8(2), **Sch. 2 para. 1(8)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
 S. 17(2) excluded (1.4.2007) by **The Parliamentary Costs Act 2006** (c. 37), ss. 17(7), 19, **Sch. 2 para. 6**
- C5** S. 17(2) excluded (E.W.) (14.3.2012) by **Charities Act 2011** (c. 25), ss. 354, 355, **Sch. 8 para. 5** (with s. 20(2))
- C6** S. 17(2) excluded (17.7.2012) by **Finance Act 2012** (c. 14), ss. 147, 177, **Sch. 17 para. 36(8), Sch. 19 para. 2(8)**
- C7** S. 17(2) excluded (1.10.2015) by **The Consumer Rights Act 2015 (Commencement No. 3, Transitional Provisions, Savings and Consequential Amendments) Order 2015** (S.I. 2015/1630), arts. 1, **8(7)**
- C8** S. 17(2) excluded (11.1.2017) by **The Consumer Rights (Enforcement and Amendments) Order 2016** (S.I. 2016/1259), arts. 1, **4**
- C9** S. 17(2) excluded (1.9.2018) by **Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018** (No. 3), s. 99(2), **Sch. 4 para. 5** (with Sch. 4 Pt. 1); S.I. 2018/720, art. 2
- C10** S. 17(2) excluded (1.3.2019) by **Church Property Measure 2018** (No. 8), s. 53(2), **Sch. 2 para. 5**; S.I. 2019/97, art. 2
- C11** S. 17(2) excluded (with effect and application in accordance with Sch. 1 paras. 120, 123(1)-(6) of the excluding Act) by **Finance Act 2019** (c. 1), **Sch. 1 para. 123(7)**
- C12** S. 17(2) excluded (1.1.2020) by **Church Representation and Ministers Measure 2019** (No. 1), s. 1(3), **Sch. 3 para. 13**; S.I. 2019/1460, art. 2
- C13** S. 17(2) excluded (1.12.2020) by **Sentencing Act 2020** (c. 17), s. 416(1), **Sch. 27 para. 5**; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2
- C14** S. 17(2)(a) excluded by **Insurance Companies Act 1982** (c. 50, SIF 67), s. 99(1), **Sch. 4 para. 17**
- C15** S. 17(2)(b) excluded (24.7.2002) by 2002 c. 23, **s. 20(4)**

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