

# Disability Discrimination Act 1995

## **1995 CHAPTER 50**

#### PART V

#### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

## Supplemental

#### 48 Offences by bodies corporate etc

- (1) Where an offence under section 40 or 46 committed by a body corporate is committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, a director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body, or a person purporting to act in such a capacity, he as well as the body corporate is guilty of the offence.
- (2) In subsection (1) "director", in relation to a body corporate whose affairs are managed by its members, means a member of the body corporate.
- (3) Where, in Scotland, an offence under section 40 or 46 committed by a partnership or by an unincorporated association other than a partnership is committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, a partner in the partnership or (as the case may be) a person concerned in the management or control of the association, he, as well as the partnership or association, is guilty of the offence.

# 49 Forgery and false statements

- (1) In this section "relevant document" means—
  - (a) a certificate of exemption issued under section 36 or 37;
  - (b) a notice of a kind mentioned in section 36(9)(b) or 37(8)(b);
  - (c) an accessibility certificate; or
  - (d) an approval certificate.
- (2) A person is guilty of an offence if, with intent to deceive, he—
  - (a) forges, alters or uses a relevant document;

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- (b) lends a relevant document to any other person;
- (c) allows a relevant document to be used by any other person; or
- (d) makes or has in his possession any document which closely resembles a relevant document.
- (3) A person who is guilty of an offence under subsection (2) is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine or to both.
- (4) A person who knowingly makes a false statement for the purpose of obtaining an accessibility certificate or an approval certificate is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.