



Arbitration Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 23

PART I

ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO AN ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

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- (1) The parties are free to agree when arbitral proceedings are to be regarded as commenced for the purposes of this Part and for the purposes of the Limitation Acts.
- (2) If there is no such agreement the following provisions apply.
- (3) Where the arbitrator is named or designated in the arbitration agreement, arbitral proceedings are commenced in respect of a matter when one party serves on the other party or parties a notice in writing requiring him or them to submit that matter to the person so named or designated.
- (4) Where the arbitrator or arbitrators are to be appointed by the parties, arbitral proceedings are commenced in respect of a matter when one party serves on the other party or parties notice in writing requiring him or them to appoint an arbitrator or to agree to the appointment of an arbitrator in respect of that matter.
- (5) Where the arbitrator or arbitrators are to be appointed by a person other than a party to the proceedings, arbitral proceedings are commenced in respect of a matter when one party gives notice in writing to that person requesting him to make the appointment in respect of that matter.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 14 applied (31.1.1997) by 1894 c. 60, s. 496(5) (as inserted by 1996 c. 23, s. 107(1), **Sch. 3 para. 1**) (with s. 81(2)); S.I. 1996/3146, **art. 3** (with **art. 4**, **Sch. 2**)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Arbitration Act 1996, Section 14.