



Protection of Children Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 14

Supplemental

12 Interpretation.

(1) In this Act—

- F1 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- F2 ...
- “prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State;
- F2 ...

^{F3}(2)

^{F3}(3)

^{F3}(3A)

(4) Regulations under this Act shall be made by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

Changes to legislation: Protection of Children Act 1999, Section 12 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 04 August 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 12(1): definition of "the 1988 Act" repealed (31.3.2003 for W. and 1.6.2003 for E.) by 2002 c. 32, ss. 215(1), 216, Sch. 21 para. 123(2), **Sch. 22 Pt. 3** (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/3185, art. 5, **Sch. Pt. 2**; S.I. 2003/1115, **art. 3**
- F2** Words in s. 12(1) repealed (12.10.2009) by Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47), s. 65, Sch. 9 para. 8(4)(a), **Sch. 10** (with ss. 51, 57(3), 60(4), 64(5)); S.I. 2009/2611, art. 2, Sch. (with arts. 5-7) (as amended (30.3.2010) by S.I. 2010/1101, arts. 6-11)
- F3** S. 12(2)-(3A) repealed (12.10.2009) by Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47), s. 65, Sch. 9 para. 8(4)(b), **Sch. 10** (with ss. 51, 57(3), 60(4), 64(5)); S.I. 2009/2611, art. 2, Sch. (with arts. 5-7) (as amended (30.3.2010) by S.I. 2010/1101, arts. 6-11)

Changes to legislation:

Protection of Children Act 1999, Section 12 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 04 August 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

[View outstanding changes](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 12(1) words repealed by [2000 c. 14 Sch. 6](#)

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

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

- s. 2B(7)(vi) inserted by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 3 para. 94](#)