

# Railways Act 2005

## **CHAPTER 14**

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- 1 Transfer to ORR of consumer protection and other functions relating to licensing
- 2 Section 7A of the 1993 Act (consumer protection conditions) shall...
- 3 (1) In section 8 of the 1993 Act (licences), in...
- 4 In section 11 of the 1993 Act (assignment of licences)—...
- 5 (1) In section 12 of the 1993 Act, subsections (1A)...
- 6 In section 13 of the 1993 Act (modification references to...
- 7 In section 13A of the 1993 Act (time limits under...
- 8 In section 14 of the 1993 Act (reports on modification...
- 9 In section 15 of the 1993 Act (modification following report)—...
- 10 (1) This paragraph applies to things done under or for...
- 11 Transfers relating to the provision, improvement or development of railway facilities
- 12 Transfer of functions relating to access agreements
- 13 Transfer of functions relating to franchise agreements
- 14 (1) Section 24 of the 1993 Act (franchise exemptions granted...
- 15 (1) Section 26 of the 1993 Act (invitation to tender...
- 16 For sections 26A, 26B and 26C of the 1993 Act...
- 17 (1) In section 27 of the 1993 Act (transfer of...
- 18 (1) In section 28 of the 1993 Act (fares and...
- 19 In section 29 of the 1993 Act (other terms and...
- 20 Transfer of functions as operator of last resort
- 21 Transfer etc. of functions relating to enforcement
- 22 In section 56(2A) of the 1993 Act (procedural requirements for...
- 23 (1) Section 57A of the 1993 Act (penalties) is amended...
- 24 (1) In section 57B of the 1993 Act—
- 25 In section 57C(3) of the 1993 Act (service of penalty...
- 26 (1) This paragraph applies to things done under or for...
- 27 Abolition of functions relating to railway administration orders
- 28 Abolition of duty to investigate contravention of consumer protection conditions
- 29 Transfer of function of maintaining code of practice for protection of disabled rail users
- 30 Transfer of functions relating to maintenance of register
- 31 After that section insert— Keeping of register by the Scottish...
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- 5 Effect of scheme
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- 2 ORR's principal railway safety functions
- 3 Removal of corresponding functions from HSC
- 4 Reports and investigations
- 5 (1) This paragraph applies where, before the commencement of paragraph...
- 6 (1) This paragraph applies where, before the commencement of paragraph...
- 7 ORR acting as agent of government departments and other public authorities
- 8 Government departments and other public authorities acting as agent of ORR
- 9 Restrictions on codes of practice by HSC
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- 2 Conduct of access charges reviews
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- 4 Implementation notice
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- 6 New review notice following objections
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- 3 Staff
- 4 (1) The RPC may— (a) pay such pensions, allowances or...
- 5 (1) The persons to whom section 1 of the Superannuation...

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- 15 Capital allowances: determination of capital value of industrial buildings etc.
- 16 Chargeable gains: assets to be treated as disposed of without a gain or a loss
- 17 Continuity in relation to transfer of intangible assets
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- 21 Meaning of "relevant transfer" in Part 3 of Schedule
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- 25 Chargeable gains: disposals not be treated as made at market value
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- 6 Purposes for which franchising functions may be exercised

- Orders for securing compliance
- In section 57F(1) (validity and effect of penalties), for "penalty...
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- 10 Register kept by ORR
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- 2 Transport Act 1968 (c. 73)
- 3 Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970 (c. 44)
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- 5 Superannuation Act 1972 (c. 11)
- 6 Level Crossings Act 1983 (c. 16)
- Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12)
- Transport Act 1985 (c. 67)
- 9 Airports Act 1986 (c. 31)
- 10 Water Industry Act 1991 (c. 56)
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- Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994 (c. 40) 12
- 13 Railway Heritage Act 1996 (c. 42)
- 14 Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c. 29)
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- 16 Utilities Act 2000 (c. 27)
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- The repeal of section 219 of the 2000 Act has...
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- The repeal of Schedule 19 to that Act does not...