

Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 36

PART 1

GENERAL PROVISION ABOUT RADIO SPECTRUM

Radio spectrum functions of OFCOM

5 Directions of Secretary of State

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order give general or specific directions to OFCOM about the carrying out by them of their radio spectrum functions.
- (2) An order under this section may require OFCOM to secure that such frequencies of the electromagnetic spectrum as may be specified in the order are kept available or become available—
 - (a) for such uses or descriptions of uses, or
 - (b) for such users or descriptions of users,
 - as may be so specified.
- (3) An order under this section may require OFCOM to exercise their powers under the provisions mentioned in subsection (4)—
 - (a) in such cases,
 - (b) in such manner,
 - (c) subject to such restrictions and constraints, and
 - (d) with a view to achieving such purposes,

as may be specified in, or determined by the Secretary of State in accordance with, the order.

(4) The provisions are—

- (a) section 8(3);
- (b) sections 12 to 14; and
- (c) sections 21 to 23.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(5) This section does not restrict the Secretary of State's power under section 5 of the Communications Act 2003 (c. 21) (directions in respect of networks and spectrum functions).