

Companies Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 46

PART 13

RESOLUTIONS AND MEETINGS

CHAPTER 3

RESOLUTIONS AT MEETINGS

Notice of meetings

307 Notice required of general meeting

[F1(A1) This section applies to—

- (a) a general meeting of a company that is not a traded company; and
- (b) a general meeting of a traded company that is an opted-in company (as defined by section 971(1)), where—
 - (i) the meeting is held to decide whether to take any action that might result in the frustration of a takeover bid for the company; or
 - (ii) the meeting is held by virtue of section 969 (power of offeror to require general meeting to be held).
- (A2) For corresponding provision(s) in relation to general meetings of traded companies (other than meetings within subsection (A1)(b)), see section 307A.]
 - (1) A general meeting of a private company (other than an adjourned meeting) must be called by notice of at least 14 days.
 - (2) A general meeting of a public company (other than an adjourned meeting) must be called by notice of—
 - (a) in the case of an annual general meeting, at least 21 days, and
 - (b) in any other case, at least 14 days.

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- (3) The company's articles may require a longer period of notice than that specified in subsection (1) or (2).
- (4) A general meeting may be called by shorter notice than that otherwise required if shorter notice is agreed by the members.
- (5) The shorter notice must be agreed to by a majority in number of the members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority who—
 - (a) together hold not less than the requisite percentage in nominal value of the shares giving a right to attend and vote at the meeting (excluding any shares in the company held as treasury shares), or
 - (b) in the case of a company not having a share capital, together represent not less than the requisite percentage of the total voting rights at that meeting of all the members.
- (6) The requisite percentage is—
 - (a) in the case of a private company, 90% or such higher percentage (not exceeding 95%) as may be specified in the company's articles;
 - (b) in the case of a public company, 95%.
- (7) Subsections (5) and (6) do not apply to an annual general meeting of a public company (see instead section 337(2)).

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 307(A1)(A2) inserted (3.8.2009) by The Companies (Shareholders' Rights) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/1632), reg. 9(1) (with application as stated in reg. 1(2))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Pt. 13 modified (31.12.2023) by The Resolution of Central Counterparties (Modified Application of Corporate Law and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1313), regs. 1(2), 4

Commencement Information

I1 S. 307 wholly in force at 1.10.2007; s. 307 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 1300; s. 307 in force at 1.10.2007 by S.I. 2007/2194, art. 2(1)(f) (with saving in art. 12 and subject to transitional adaptations specified in Sch. 1 and with transitional provisions and savings in Sch. 3)

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

- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 1989/638, Sch. 4 by S.I. 2024/410
 Sch. 2 para. 1
- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/373 reg. 11(1) by S.I.
 2013/1971 reg. 9(a) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg.
 2)
- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2008/373 reg. 3(4) by S.I.
 2013/1971 reg. 4 (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending Regulations revoked (1.10.2013) without ever being in force by S.I. 2013/2224, reg.
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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 479A(2)(c)(zi) inserted by S.I. 2019/177 reg. 4(b)(i) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 4 substituted by regs. 4, 4A immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2019/1392, regs. 1(2), 4)
- s. 479B(a)(iii) amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I.2008/1991 reg.34 by S.R. 2024/78 reg. 31(4)
- s. 479B(a)(iii) amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I.2008/1991 reg.34A by S.R. 2024/78 reg. 31(5)
- s. 1087A-1807C applied by S.I. 2009/2436, Sch. 1 para. 20(1)(ca) (as substituted) by
 S.I. 2024/410 Sch. 2 para. 5(d)(ii)
- Sch. 10 para. 6(2D) inserted by S.I. 2019/177 reg. 28(e) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 28(e) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(e)(iv))
- Sch. 10 para. 7(2A) inserted by S.I. 2019/177 reg. 29(b) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 29 substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/523, regs. 1(2), 14(f))