



Equality Act 2010

2010 CHAPTER 15

PART 4 **E+W+S**

PREMISES

Preliminary

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- (1) This Part does not apply to the following protected characteristics—
 - (a) age;
 - (b) marriage and civil partnership.
- (2) This Part does not apply to discrimination, harassment or victimisation—
 - (a) that is prohibited by Part 5 (work) or Part 6 (education), or
 - (b) that would be so prohibited but for an express exception.
- (3) This Part does not apply to the provision of accommodation if the provision—
 - (a) is generally for the purpose of short stays by individuals who live elsewhere, or
 - (b) is for the purpose only of exercising a public function or providing a service to the public or a section of the public.
- (4) The reference to the exercise of a public function, and the reference to the provision of a service, are to be construed in accordance with Part 3.
- (5) This Part does not apply to—
 - (a) a breach of an equality clause or rule;
 - (b) anything that would be a breach of an equality clause or rule but for section 69 or Part 2 of Schedule 7;
 - (c) a breach of a non-discrimination rule.

Changes to legislation:

Equality Act 2010, Cross Heading: Preliminary is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 24 April 2024. 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.

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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. 40A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 1](#)
- s. 120(9) inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 124A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 3](#)