



**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of
Intellectual Property Rights**

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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

UNITED KINGDOM: DIGITAL ECONOMY ACT 2017

Notifying Member	UNITED KINGDOM
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Digital Economy Act 2017
Subject matter	Copyright and related rights; Enforcement
Nature of notification	<input type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2021/IP/GBR/21_1574_00_e.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/GBR/171 , IP/N/1/GBR/C/64 , IP/N/1/GBR/E/26 ; IP/N/1/GBR/C/1
Brief description of the notified legal text	
<p>The Act contains a number of intellectual property measures to support creative industries. It extends on the provisions within the Digital Economy Act 2010 on Public lending right to e-books. This Act extended this to include remote access to e-books and not limit it to just access on the library premises. The Act extends criminal sanctions for online infringement to a maximum of ten years.</p> <p>Repeals s.73 which provided for an exception for cable platforms, from paying copyright licence fees to retransmit the core public service broadcaster channels.</p> <p>Amends the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1998 in relation to criminal sanctions for online copyright infringement.</p>	
Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	27 April 2017
Other date	

Notification details

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