

CHARITIES ACT 1992: DATES WHEN SECTIONS COME INTO FORCE

Section 79 of the Charities Act 1992 provides in subsection (2) that the Act will come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint and it was envisaged that different days might be so appointed for different provisions or for different purposes. The following dates are specified in the Charities Act 1992 (Commencement No 1 and Transitional Provisions) Order, SI 1992 No 1900, as the dates for the sections described hereunder to come into force. The order was made on 28 July 1992.

1st September 1992

Section 2	(The Register of Charities)
Section 4	(Power of Commissioners to require charity's name to be changed)
Section 5	(Effect of direction under s.4 where charity is a company)
Section 6	(General power to undertake inquiries)
Section 7	(Power of Commissioners to obtain information and documents)
Section 11	(Report of inquiry held by Commissioners to be evidence in certain proceedings)
Section 13	(Commissioners' concurrent jurisdiction with High Court for certain purposes)
Section 14	(Trust corporations appointed by Commissioners under 1960 Act)
Section 16	(Common deposit funds)
Section 17	(Power of Commissioners to authorise certain ex gratia payments etc by charities)
Section 29	(Divestment of charity property held by official custodian for charities)
Section 30	(Provisions supplementary to s.29)
Section 31	(Divestment in the case of land subject to Reverter of Sites Act 1987)
Section 38	(Relaxation of restrictions on wider-range investments)
Section 39	(Extension of powers of investment)
Section 43	(Small charities: power to transfer all property, modify objects etc)
Section 44	(Small charities: power to spend capital)
Section 47	(Minor and consequential amendments of 1960 Act)
Section 49	(Amendment of Redundant Churches and Other Religious Buildings Act 1969)

Section 50	(Contributions towards maintenance etc of almshouses)
Section 51	(Fees and other amounts payable to Commissioners)
Section 52	(Disclosure of information to and by Commissioners)
Section 53	(Data protection)
Section 54	(Supply of false or misleading information to Commissioners etc)
Section 55	(Restriction on institution of proceedings for certain offences)
Section 56	(Enforcement of requirements by order of Commissioners, and other provisions as to orders made by them)
Section 57	(Directions of the Commissioners)
Section 75	(Offences by bodies corporate)
Section 76	(Service of documents)
Section 77	(Regulations and orders)
Section 78	(Minor and consequential amendments and repeals)
Section 79	(Short title, commencement and extent)
So much of Schedule 1 as relates to Section 4 of the 1960 Act	(Sections 4 and 20 of the Charities Act 1960, as amended)
Schedule 5	(Amendments of Redundant Churches and Other Religious Buildings Act 1969)

1st November 1992

Section 8	(Power to act for protection of charities)
Section 9	(Supplementary provision relating to receiver and manager appointed for a charity)
Section 10	(Additional powers exercisable by Commissioners in relation to charitable companies)
Section 12	(Supervision by Commissioners of certain Scottish charities)
So much of Schedule 1 as relates to Section 20 of the 1960 Act	(Sections 4 and 20 of the Charities Act 1960, as amended)
In Schedule 3 paragraph 8(a)	(Minor and consequential amendments of Charities Act 1960)

1st January 1993

Section 3	(Status of registered charity other than small charity to appear in official publications, etc)
Section 32	(Restrictions on disposition of charity land)
Section 33	(Supplementary provisions relating to dispositions of charity land)
Section 34	(Restrictions on mortgaging charity land)
Section 35	(Supplementary provisions relating to mortgaging of charity land)
Section 36	(Removal of requirements under statutory provisions for consent to dealings with charity land)
Section 37	(Release of charity rent charges)
Section 45	(Persons disqualified for being trustees of a charity)
Section 46	(Person acting as a charity trustee while disqualified)
Section 48	and Schedule 4 (Amendments of Charitable Trustees Incorporation Act 1872)

In addition it is expected that the following will come into force on:

1st September 1993 (provisional)

Section 19	(Duty to keep accounting records)
Section 20	(Annual Statements of Account)
Section 21	(Annual audit or examination of charity accounts)
Section 22	(Supplementary provisions relating to audits etc)
Section 23	(Annual Reports)
Section 24	(Special provision as respects accounts and annual reports of exempt and other excepted charities)
Section 25	(Public inspection of annual reports etc)
Section 26	(Annual returns by registered charities)
Section 27	(Offences)