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**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: COPYRIGHT, ETC AND TRADE MARKS
(OFFENCES AND ENFORCEMENT) ACT 2002

Notifying Member	UNITED KINGDOM
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Copyright, etc and Trade Marks (Offences and Enforcement) Act 2002
Subject matter	Copyright and related rights; Trademarks; Enforcement
Nature of notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2021/IP/GBR/21_1078_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/T/1 ; IP/N/1/GBR/C/1
Brief description of the notified legal text	
<p>The Act amends provisions in copyright law in respect of criminal offences, search warrants, powers of seizure and order for forfeiture. It also amends the Trade Marks Act 1994 with regard to search warrants and powers of seizure. The Act also implements the Copyright in the Information Society Directive 2001/29/EC.</p> <p>The Act amends the criminal provisions in intellectual property law, relating to copyright, rights in performances, fraudulent reception of conditional access transmissions by use of unauthorized decoders and trademarks. The Act brings about some rationalization of these criminal provisions by removing some of the differences. The three areas in which rationalization is provided are maximum penalties for certain offences in intellectual property law, police search and seizure powers relating to offences and court orders on forfeiture of illegal material that may have been seized during investigation of offences. The Act does not make any changes to the scope of criminal offences in intellectual property law so that the type of behaviour that can give rise to an offence remains the same.</p>	
Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	24 July 2002

Other date	
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Notification details

Submission date of notification	11 February 2021
Other information	https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2002/25/contents
Agency or authority responsible	<p>UK Intellectual Property Office</p> <p>Concept House Cardiff Road Newport South Wales NP10 8QQ United Kingdom</p> <p>information@ipo.gov.uk</p> <p>0300 300 2000</p> <p>Outside the UK: +44 (0)1633 814000</p>

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