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For more information on the work of Trading Standards services - and the possible consequences of not abiding by the law - please see '[Trading Standards: powers, enforcement and penalties](#)'.

In this update

Brief information on the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 added to part 1. New section ('The burden of proof') added to part 2.

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Key legislation

- [Consumer Credit Act 1974](#)
- [Road Traffic Act 1988](#)
- [Enterprise Act 2002](#)
- [Price Marking Order 2004](#)
- [General Product Safety Regulations 2005](#)
- [Business Protection from Misleading Marketing Regulations 2008](#)
- [Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008](#)
- [Provision of Services Regulations 2009](#)
- [Consumer Rights \(Payment Surcharges\) Regulations 2012](#)
- [Consumer Contracts \(Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges\) Regulations 2013](#)
- [Consumer Protection \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014](#)
- [Alternative Dispute Resolution for Consumer Disputes \(Competent Authorities and Information\) Regulations 2015](#)
- [Consumer Rights Act 2015](#)

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Please note

This information is intended for guidance; only the courts can give an authoritative interpretation of the law.

The guide's 'Key legislation' links may only show the original version of the legislation, although some amending legislation is linked to separately where it is directly related to the content of a guide. Information on changes to legislation can be found by following the above links and clicking on the 'More Resources' tab.

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