

Appendix E - Relevant United Kingdom legislation¹

Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 (UK)

ss 296B - 297A Fraudulent reception of transmissions

Offence of fraudulently receiving programmes

- 297. (1) A person who dishonestly receives a programme included in a broadcasting or cable programme service provided from a place in the United Kingdom with intent to avoid payment of any charge applicable to the reception of the programme commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (2) Where an offence under this section committed by a body corporate is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of a director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body, or a person purporting to act in any such capacity, he as well as the body corporate is guilty of the offence and liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

In relation to a body corporate whose affairs are managed by its members "director" means a member of the body corporate.

¹ Australian Subscription Television and Radio Association, handed to the Committee on 21 October 1999, Canberra.