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## **The Wireless Telegraphy (Control of Interference from Videosenders) Order 1996.**

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#### 2. Member State



United Kingdom

**3. Department Responsible**

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards Policy Unit

**3. Originating Department**

Radiocommunications Agency, an executive Agency of the Department of Trade and Industry.

**4. Notification Number**

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**5. Title**

The Wireless Telegraphy (Control of Interference from Videosenders) Order 1996.

**6. Products Concerned**

Videosenders - defined as wireless telegraphy apparatus which is designed or adapted or is capable of being adapted for the purpose of transmitting visual images (with or without sound) in the frequency band 470-854 MHz from a video camera, a video recorder or other equipment to a television broadcast receiver.

**7. Notification Under Another Act**

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**8. Main Content**

The proposed Order will prohibit the manufacture, sale, hire, offer or advertisement for sale or hire and possession within the United Kingdom and import into the United Kingdom of videosenders operating in the frequency band 470-854 MHz. There is no United Kingdom or European Telecommunications Standards Institute performance standard for such apparatus.

**9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

Videosenders are devices which operate within the television broadcast bands, so as to be within the tuning range of domestic television receivers. There is no domestic or European manufacture of videosenders. They are all imported direct from the Far East and are not made to any British, European Telecommunications Standards Institute or other internationally recognised performance standard. The apparatus is poorly designed and cheaply engineered. Consequently videosenders are liable to cause interference to neighbouring television users and to other radio users. In particular in the United Kingdom there are well documented cases of interference to police radio use. These have safety of life implications. Because of these interference characteristics and their use of unsuitable spectrum, these devices are not licensable in the United Kingdom and consequently their use is illegal. However, this has not



proved a sufficient deterrent to importers and sellers and subsequent, sometimes unwitting, illegal use in domestic premises within the United Kingdom. The continued availability of cheap, illegal devices would also provide unfair competition for a legal videosender service for which the United Kingdom authorities are actively looking for suitable radio frequency spectrum. The proposed Order would not, however, impose a complete ban on the import into the United Kingdom of videosenders. Imports for re-export to other states would not be prohibited.

**10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

The Wireless Telegraphy (Control of Interference from Videosenders) Order 1996.

**11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

NO.

**12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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**13. Confidentiality**

NO.

**14. Fiscal measures**

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