## Section 50, PMLA

## **DATA CHART**

Section	Section 50
Cross References to Subordinate Legislation	One (1)
Type of Subordinate Legislation	Rules
Amendments	Two in total  1st Amendment - in 2013 wef  15.02.20132 <sup>nd</sup> Amendment - in 2018wef  19.04.2018
Abbreviations	PMLA- Prevention of Money Laundering Act Wef- With effect from AA- Amendment Act SubLeg- Subordinate Legislation

Changes via Amendments	2005 Original Text (w.e.f. 01.07.2005)	PML (Amendment) Act, 2012 (w.e.f. 15.02.2013)	The Finance Act, 2018 (No. 13 of 2018) (w.e.f. 19.04.2018)	Final Enactment: As on 2022
Details/ Tags	-Name: Prevention of Money-Laundering Act, 2002 -No: Act No. 15 of 2003 -Enacted By: The Parliament -Date of Publication: 17th January 2003 (17.01.2003) -Commencements Date: 1st July 2005, (1.07.2005) -Chapter No: II -Chapter Name: Offence of Money Laundering -Section No: 3 -Section Title: Offence of Money Laundering -Marginal Note: no marginal note	-Name: Prevention of Money Laundering (Amendment) Act, 2012 -No: Act No. 2 of 2013 -Enacted By: The Parliament -Date of Publication: 3rd January 2013 (3.01.2013) -Commencements Date: 15th February 2013 (15.02.2013) -Chapter No: -no chapters -Chapter Name: ~ -Section: Section 22 -Section Title: no title -Marginal Note: Amendment of Section 50	-Name: The Finance Act, 2018 -No: Act No. 13 of 2018 -Enacted By: The Parliament -Date of Publication: 29th March 2018 (29.03.2018) -Commencements Date: 19th April 2018 (19.04.2018) -Part No: XIV (14th Part) -Part Name: Amendments to the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 -Section No.: 208 - Sub Section No.: (f) -Section Name: no name -Marginal Notes: Amendments of Act 15 of 2003	

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	Published in Gazette of India,	Published in Gazette of India,
	Extraordinary, Part II, sec. 3(i):	Extraordinary, Part II, sec. 3(i):
	Notification No. G.S.R. 445	Notification No. G.S.R. 445 (E)
	(E), dated 1st July, 2005	dated 1st July, 2005
	Reference Type: RULES	Reference Type: RULES
	<b>Reference Section:</b> Section 50	<b>Reference Section:</b> Section 5 (5)
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	The Code of Civil Procedure,	The Code of Civil Procedure,
	1908 (5 of 1908)	1908 (5 of 1908)
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	<b>Reference Section:</b> Section 50	Reference Section: Section 50 (1)
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	The Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860).	The Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860).
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	Reference Section: Section 50 (4)	Reference Section: Section 50 (4)

Cross References (INTERNAL)	Section 13, PMLA - Powers of Director to impose fine. Referred @ Section 50(1)			Section 13, PMLA - Powers of Director to impose fine. Referred @ Section 50(1)
	Section 73 2(v), PMLA - Refers to Section 50(1)(f)			Section 73 2(v), PMLA - Refers to Section 50(1)(f)
	Section 73 (w), PMLA- Refers to Section 50(5)			Section 73 (w), PMLA- Refers to Section 50(5)
Commencemen t: Gazette Address	Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, sec. 3(i): Notification No. G.S.R. 436(E), dated 1st July, 2005	Notification SO 343(E), dated 8th February 2013	[Commencements Date is: 19th April 2018 (19.04.2018)]	
Miscellaneou s Note	Section 1 (3) of PMLA provides It shall come into force come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by Notification in the Official Gazette, appoint	Section 1 (2) of PML (Amendment) Act provides that it shall come into force come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by Notification in the Official Gazette, appoint	Cannot find the notification under Finance Act, 2018 for the commencement date of Section 208 which amends the PML Act. I got the above mentioned date (April 19 2018) from the footnote to Section 50 in the latest version of the Act that is uploaded in the one drive folder]	The Section thus stands amendment by 2 different amendments It contains one cross-reference to a Sub. Leg. in the nature of 'Rules'.