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ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Electronic Communications and Wireless Telegraphy (Amendment and Saving Provision) Regulations 2026

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Laid before Parliament	*26th October 2026*
Coming into force - -	*31st March 2027*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 5(1), (2) and (3)(b) of the Electronic Communications and Wireless Telegraphy (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019(**a**).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Electronic Communications and Wireless Telegraphy (Amendment and Saving Provision) Regulations 2026.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 31st March 2027.

(3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the eCall regulation" means Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 305/2013 of 26 November 2012 supplementing Directive 2010/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the harmonised provision for an interoperable EU-wide eCall(**b**).

"public safety answering point" has the same meaning as in Article 2(b) of the eCall regulation(**c**).

Amendment of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 305/2013

3.—(1) The eCall regulation is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 3 (eCall PSAP requirements), in paragraph 1, for "and 'Intelligent transport systems — eSafety — eCall High Level Application Requirements (HLAP)' (EN 16062)" substitute ", 'Intelligent transport systems — ESafety — ECall end to end conformance testing' (EN

(**a**) S.I. 2019/246.
(**b**) OJ No. L 91, 3.4.2013, p. 1, as amended by S.I. 2019/246.
(**c**) Article 2(b) was amended by S.I. 2019/246.

16454:2023)(**a**), 'Intelligent transport systems — eSafety — eCall High level application protocols (HLAP) using IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) over packet switched networks' (EN 17184:2024)(**b**), 'Intelligent transport systems — ESafety — ECall end to end conformance testing for IMS packet switched based systems' (EN 17240:2024)(**c**), 'Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS); LTE; IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) emergency sessions' (ETSI TS 123 167 V17.2.0)(**d**), 'LTE; General Packet Radio Service (GPRS) enhancements for Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access Network (E-UTRAN) access' (ETSI TS 123 401 V19.6.0)(**e**) and '5G; System architecture for the 5G System (5GS)' (ETSI TS 123 501 V19.8.0)(**f**)".

Saving Provision

4. Notwithstanding the amendments made by regulation 3, Article 3(1) of the eCall regulation continues to apply, with respect to the standard 'Intelligent transport systems — eSafety — eCall High Level Application Requirements (HLAP)' (EN 16062)(**g**), as that Article had effect immediately before 31st March 2027, in relation to any eCall public safety answering point, until the end of 31st March 2031.

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22nd October 2026 Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport

(**a**) A copy of EN 16454:2023 can be obtained from the British Standards Institution or accessed online at www.bsigroup.com.
(**b**) A copy of EN 17184:2024 can be obtained from the British Standards Institution or accessed online at www.bsigroup.com.
(**c**) A copy of EN 17240:2024 can be obtained from the British Standards Institution or accessed online at www.bsigroup.com.
(**d**) A copy of ETSI TS 123 167 V17.2.0 can be obtained from the European Telecommunications Standards Institute or accessed online at www.etsi.org.
(**e**) A copy of ETSI TS 123 401 V19.6.0 can be obtained from the European Telecommunications Standards Institute or accessed online at www.etsi.org.
(**f**) A copy of ETSI TS 123 501 V19.8.0 can be obtained from the European Telecommunications Standards Institute or accessed online at www.etsi.org.
(**g**) A copy of EN 16062 can be obtained from the British Standards Institution or accessed online at www.bsigroup.com.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the power conferred by regulation 5 of the Electronic Communications and Wireless Telegraphy (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/246). They replace technical standards referred to in the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 305/2013 to include Next Generation (4G/5G) eCall and make provision for existing standards to be saved until 2G networks cease operation.

Regulation 3 amends Article 3 of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 305/2013 to ensure that any eCall public safety answering point (PSAP) is equipped to handle eCalls originating from in-vehicle equipment according to the Next Generation (4G/5G) eCall standards.

Regulation 4 is a saving provision which ensures that any eCall PSAP is still required to handle eCalls originating from in-vehicle equipment according to the first generation eCall standards until 31st March 2031.

The net costs imposed on business, the voluntary sector and the public sector by these Regulations have been assessed as being less than £10m in any year and therefore a full impact assessment has not been prepared.

An Explanatory Memorandum and a de minimis assessment have been prepared and are available alongside this instrument at www.legislation.gov.uk.

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