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EMPLOYMENT

The Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) (Amendment No.2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2025

Made - - - -	*13th August 2025*
Coming into operation	*4th September 2025*

The Department for the Economy makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 67F of the Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(**a**) and now vested in it(**b**).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) (Amendment No.2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2025 and shall come into operation on 4th September 2025.

Amendment

2.—(1) The Schedule to the Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999(**c**) is amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (4).

(**a**) S.I. 1996/1919 (N.I. 16); Article 67F was inserted by Article 3 of the Public Interest Disclosure (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/1763 N.I. 17) and amended by section 14(1)(c) of the Employment Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.15 N.I.).

(**b**) The functions of the Department of Economic Development under the Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 were transferred to the Department of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment by Article 4(b) of, and Schedule 2, Part 2 to, the Departments (Transfer and Assignment of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999 (S.R. 1999 No. 481). The Department of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment was renamed the Department for Employment and Learning by section 1(1) of the Department for Employment and Learning Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c.15 N.I.), and following the dissolution of that department by section 1(10) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.5 N.I.), its functions under the Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 were transferred to the Department for the Economy by Article 6(1)(c) of the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 76).

(**c**) S.R. 1999 No. 401; amended by S.I. 2013/472, S.I. 2014/631, S.I. 2017/516, S.I. 2017/692, S.I. 2017/1064, S.I. 2017/1127, S.R. 2022 No. 72, S.R. 2022 No. 290, S.I. 2024/107, S.I. 2024/705 and S.R. 2025 No. 13.

(2) For the entry relating to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy substitute—

"Secretary of State for Business and Trade	Matters relating to– (a) fraud, and other misconduct, in relation to companies; and (b) the Secretary of State's functions in relation to trade sanctions in sanctions regulations made under section 1 of the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018(**a**).".

(3) In the entry relating to the Secretary of State for Transport, for Column (2) (descriptions of matters) substitute—

"Matters relating to–

(a) compliance with the requirements of merchant shipping law, including maritime safety; and

(b) the Secretary of State's functions in relation to aircraft and shipping sanctions in sanctions regulations made under section 1 of the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018.".

(4) At the appropriate place insert—

"The Treasury	The Treasury's functions in relation to– (a) sanctions regulations made under section 1 of the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018; (b) the financial sanctions legislation listed in section 143(4) (a) to (e) of the Policing and Crime Act 2017(**b**); and (c) Part 8 of the Policing and Crime Act 2017.".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for the Economy on 13th August 2025.

L.S.

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(**a**) 2018 c. 13; Section 1 was amended by section 57(2) of the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Act 2022 (c. 10) and section 35(2) of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (c. 56).

(**b**) 2017 c. 3; Section 143 was amended by paragraph 8(2) and (3) of Schedule 3 to the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (c. 13) and section 214(1) of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (c. 56).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Schedule to the Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999 (S.R. 1999 No. 401). It updates the reference to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and adds a reference to the Treasury as a prescribed person. The description of matters for the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, the Secretary of State for Transport, and the Treasury now reflects newly prescribed matters concerning sanctions-related functions of these prescribed persons.

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