

Comparison between the amendments introduced by the Conservative government at the Report Stage of the Criminal Justice Bill 2024, and the “Mandatory Reporting” chapter of the Crime and Policing Bill 2025.

Amendment to Criminal Justice Bill 2024	Crime and Policing Bill 2025
Duty to report child sex offences	45 Duty to report suspected child sex offences
<p>1) A person aged 18 or over must make a notification under this section if, while engaging in a relevant activity in England, the person is given reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed (at any time).</p>	<p>(1) A person aged 18 or over must make a notification under this section if, in the course of engaging in a relevant activity in England, they are given reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed (at any time).</p>
<p>(2) A notification under this section—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) is to be made to a relevant chief officer of police or a relevant local authority director (or both); (b) must identify each person believed by the person making the notification to be involved in the suspected offence and explain why the notification is made; (c) must be made as soon as reasonably practicable; (d) may be made orally or in writing. 	<p>(2) A notification—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) must be made to a relevant police force or a relevant local authority (but may be made to both); (b) must identify each person believed to have been involved in the suspected offence (so far as known) and explain why the notification is made; (c) must be made as soon as practicable (subject to subsections (5) and (6)); (d) may be made orally or in writing.
<p>(3) If the person making the notification believes that no relevant child resides in England and Wales, subsection (2)(a) applies as if it referred to a relevant chief officer of police only.</p>	<p>(3) If the person making the notification believes that no relevant child resides in England and Wales, subsection (2)(a) applies as if it referred to a relevant police force only.</p>
	<p>(4) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision about the way in which an oral or written notification is to be made.</p> <p>The regulations may in particular provide that a notification to a police force or local authority is to be made in accordance with any requirements published from time to time by the police force or local authority.</p>
<p>(4) The duty under subsection (1) does not apply to a person—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) for such time as the person reasonably believes that it is not in the best interests of each relevant child to make a notification under this section. 	<p>(5) The duty under subsection (1) does not apply to a person in the initial 7-day period if (and for so long as) they reasonably believe that making such a notification would give rise to a risk to the life or safety of a relevant child.</p>

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	(6) The duty under subsection (1) does not apply to a person in the initial 7-day period if (and for so long as) they reasonably believe that another person will make a notification under this section in connection with the suspected offence in that period.
<p>(a) if the person reasonably believes that another person has previously made, or will imminently make, a notification under this section in connection with the suspected offence;</p> <p>(b) for such time as the person reasonably believes another person who engages in a relevant activity in England has made or will make a notification under this section on their behalf;</p>	<p>(7) The duty under subsection (1) does not apply to a person (P) if—</p> <p>(a) another person informs P that they have made a notification under this section in connection with the suspected offence, and</p> <p>(b) P reasonably believes that the notification has been made.</p>
	(8) In subsections (6) and (7), references to another person making, or having made, a notification include that person making or having made it on behalf of the person mentioned in subsection (1).
<p>(5) The duty under subsection (1) is also subject to—</p> <p>section (Exception for certain consensual sexual activity among children) (exception for certain consensual activity among children);</p> <p>section (Exception relating to commission of offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 by a child in certain circumstances) (exception relating to commission of offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 by a child in certain circumstances);</p> <p>section (Exception in respect of certain disclosures by children) (exception in respect of certain disclosures by children).</p>	<p>(9) The duty under subsection (1) is also subject to—</p> <p>(a) section 48 (exception for certain consensual activities between children);</p> <p>(b) section 49 (exception relating to commission of offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 by a child in certain circumstances);</p> <p>(c) section 50 (exception in respect of certain disclosures by children);</p> <p>(d) section 51 (exception for persons providing specified services).</p>
<p>(6) A disclosure made in a notification under this section does not breach—</p> <p>(a) any obligation of confidence owed by the person making the disclosure, or</p> <p>(b) any other restriction on the disclosure of information.</p>	<p>(10) A disclosure made in a notification under this section does not breach—</p> <p>(a) any obligation of confidence owed by the person making the disclosure, or</p> <p>(b) any other restriction on the disclosure of information.</p>

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<p>“involved in the suspected offence”: references to a person involved in a suspected offence include, where the suspected offence is under section 1(1)(b), (c) or (d) of the Protection of Children Act 1978 (taking etc indecent photograph of child) or section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (possession of indecent photograph of child), any person shown in a photograph or pseudo-photograph concerned (other than an imaginary person);</p>	<p>(11) In this section—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) “the initial 7-day period” means the period of 7 days beginning when the person mentioned in subsection (1) is given reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed; (b) a reference to a person involved in a suspected offence includes, where the suspected offence is under— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) section 1(1)(b), (c) or (d) of the Protection of Children Act 1978 (taking etc indecent photograph of child), or (ii) section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (possession of indecent photograph of child), any person shown in the photograph or pseudo-photograph concerned (other than an imaginary person); (c) “relevant local authority” and “relevant police force” have the meaning given by section 46.
<p>(7) In this section—</p> <p>“child” means a person aged under 18;</p> <p>“child sex offence” means an offence specified in Part 1 of Schedule (Duty to report child sex offences: child sex offences and further relevant activities);</p> <p>“relevant activity” means—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a regulated activity relating to children within the meaning of Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006, or (b) an activity specified in Part 2 of Schedule (Duty to report child sex offences: child sex offences and further relevant activities); <p>“relevant child” means a child involved in the suspected offence who is not the suspected offender;</p>	<p>(12) In this Chapter—</p> <p>“child” means a person aged under 18 (and related expressions are to be construed accordingly);</p> <p>“child sex offence” means an offence specified in Part 1 of Schedule 7;</p> <p>“relevant activity” means—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a regulated activity relating to children within the meaning of Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006, or (b) an activity specified in Part 2 of Schedule 7; <p>“relevant child” means a child involved in the suspected offence other than any child who is the suspected offender.</p>
	<p>(13) This Chapter applies to persons in the service of the Crown.</p>
	<p>46 Section 45: meaning of “relevant local authority” and “relevant police force”</p>
	<p>(1) This section applies for the purposes of section 45.</p>

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<p>“relevant local authority director” means—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) if a relevant child resides in England, the director of children's services of the local authority in whose area the child resides, (b) if a relevant child resides in Wales, the director of social services of the local authority in whose area the child resides, or (c) if the person making the notification does not know where any relevant child resides, such director of children's services or director of social services as the person making the notification considers appropriate. <p>Here “director of children’s services” has the meaning given by section 18 of the Children Act 2004 and “director of social services” has the meaning given by section 144 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.”</p>	<p>(2) “Relevant local authority” means—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) if a relevant child resides in England or Wales, the local authority in whose area the child is believed to reside, or (b) if the person making the notification does not know the local authority area in which any relevant child resides, such local authority as the person making the notification considers appropriate.
<p>“relevant chief officer of police” means—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) if a person involved in the suspected offence resides in England and Wales, the chief officer of police for the area in which the person resides, or (b) if the person making the notification— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) does not know where any person involved in the suspected offence resides, or (ii) believes that each person involved in the suspected offence resides outside England and Wales, <p>such chief officer of police for an area in England and Wales as the person making the notification considers appropriate;</p>	<p>(3) “Relevant police force” means—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) if a person believed to be involved in the suspected offence resides in England and Wales, the police force for the area in which the person is believed to reside, or (b) if the person making the notification— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) does not know the police area in which any person believed to be involved in the suspected offence resides, or (ii) believes that each person believed to be involved in the suspected offence resides outside England and Wales, such police force in England and Wales as the person making the notification considers appropriate.
<p>“local authority” has the same meaning as in the Children Act 2004 (see section 65);</p>	<p>(4) In this section “local authority” has the same meaning as in the Children Act 2004 (see section 65).</p>
	<p>(5) Section 45(11)(b) (references to “involved in the suspected offence”) applies for the purposes of this section.</p>
<p>Reasons to suspect child sex offence may have been committed</p>	<p>47 Section 45: reasons to suspect child sex offence may have been committed</p>
<p>(1) For the purposes of section (Duty to report child sex offences), a person (P) is given reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed in each of the following 4 cases (and no others).</p>	<p>(1) For the purposes of section 45, a person (P) is given reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed in each of the following cases (and no others).</p>

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(2) The first case is where P witnesses conduct constituting a child sex offence.	(2) The first case is where P witnesses conduct constituting a child sex offence.
(3) The second case is where a child communicates to P something which would cause a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed.	(3) The second case is where a child communicates to P something which would cause a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed.
(4) The third case is where another person (A) communicates to P something which would cause a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P to suspect that A may have committed a child sex offence.	(4) The third case is where a person (A) communicates to P something which would cause a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P to suspect that A may have committed a child sex offence.
(5) The fourth case is where P sees an image or video recording, or hears an audio recording, which would cause a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed.	(5) The fourth case is where— (a) P sees an image or hears an audio recording, and (b) a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P would suspect that the image shows, or the audio recording is of, conduct constituting a child sex offence.
	(6) The fifth case is where P sees an image, and a reasonable person who engages in the same relevant activity as P would suspect that possession of the image may constitute a child sex offence.
	(7) In this section “image” means a still or moving image, produced by any means.
(6) “Child”, “child sex offence” and “relevant activity” have the same meaning in this section as in section (Duty to report child sex offences).”	
Exception for certain consensual sexual activity among children	48 Exception for certain consensual sexual activities between children
(1) The duty under section (Duty to report child sex offences) does not apply to a person if the following 4 conditions are met.	(1) The duty under section 45 does not apply to a person if the following four conditions are met.

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<p>(2) The first condition is that the child sex offence that the person is given reason to suspect may have been committed (“the suspected offence”) is—</p> <p>(a) an offence under section 13 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (child sex offences committed by children or young persons), or</p> <p>(b) an offence under section 1(1)(a), (b) or (c) of the Protection of Children Act 1978 or section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988, relating to an indecent photograph of a child.</p>	<p>(2) The first condition is that the child sex offence that the person is given reason to suspect may have been committed (“the suspected offence”) is—</p> <p>(a) an offence under section 13 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (child sex offences committed by children or young persons), or</p> <p>(b) an offence under section 1(1)(a), (b) or (c) of the Protection of Children Act 1978 or section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988, relating to an indecent photograph of a child.</p>
<p>(3) The second condition is that the person reasonably believes that—</p> <p>(a) each person involved in the suspected offence was a child aged 13 or over, and</p> <p>(b) where the suspected offence is under a provision mentioned in subsection (2)(b), the person shown in the indecent photograph concerned is a child aged 13 or over.</p>	<p>(3) The second condition is that the person reasonably believes that—</p> <p>(a) each person involved in the suspected offence was a child aged 13 or over, and</p> <p>(b) where the suspected offence is under a provision mentioned in subsection (2)(b), the child shown in the indecent photograph concerned is aged 13 or over.</p>
<p>(4) The third condition is that the person is satisfied that—</p> <p>(a) each person involved in the suspected offence (other than the suspected offender) consented to the conduct constituting the suspected offence, and</p> <p>(b) where the suspected offence is under section 1(1)(b) or (c) of the Protection of Children Act 1978 or section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988, the person shown in the indecent photograph concerned consented to—</p> <p>(i) its taking, and</p> <p>(ii) the conduct constituting suspected offence.</p>	<p>(4) The third condition is that the person is satisfied that—</p> <p>(a) each person involved in the suspected offence (other than the suspected offender) consented to the conduct constituting the suspected offence, and</p> <p>(b) where the suspected offence is under section 1(1)(b) or (c) of the Protection of Children Act 1978 or section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988, the person shown in the indecent photograph concerned consented to—</p> <p>(i) the taking of the photograph, and</p> <p>(ii) the conduct constituting the suspected offence.</p>
<p>(5) The fourth condition is that the person is satisfied that it would not be appropriate in the circumstances to make a notification under section (Duty to report child sex offences), having regard (among other things) to the risk of harm to each person mentioned in subsection (3)(a) and (if relevant) (b).</p>	<p>(5) The fourth condition is that the person is satisfied that it would not be appropriate in the circumstances to make a notification under section 45, having regard (among other things) to the risk of harm to each person mentioned in subsection (3)(a) and (if relevant) (b).</p>
<p>(6) For the purposes of the third condition, a person consents if the person agrees by choice, and has the freedom and capacity to make that choice.</p>	<p>(6) For the purposes of the third condition, a person consents if the person agrees by choice, and has the freedom and capacity to make that choice.</p>

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<p>(7) In this section— “child” and “child sex offence” have the same meaning as in section (Duty to report child sex offences); “indecent photograph” has the same meaning as in the Protection of Children Act 1978 (see section 7 of that Act);”</p>	<p>(7) In this section “indecent photograph” has the same meaning as in the Protection of Children Act 1978 (see section 7 of that Act).</p>
<p>Exception relating to commission of offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 by a child in certain circumstances</p>	<p>49 Exception relating to commission of offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 by a child in certain circumstances</p>
<p>(1) The duty under section (Duty to report child sex offences) does not apply to a person if the following 4 conditions are met.</p>	<p>(1) The duty under section 45 does not apply to a person if the following four conditions are met.</p>
<p>(2) The first condition is that the child sex offence that the person is given reason to suspect may have been committed (“the suspected offence”) is an offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (arranging or facilitating child sex offence)</p>	<p>(2) The first condition is that the child sex offence that the person is given reason to suspect may have been committed (“the suspected offence”) is an offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (arranging or facilitating child sex offence).</p>
<p>(3) The second condition is that the person reasonably believes that— (a) each person involved in the suspected offence was a child aged 13 or over, and (b) each person who (as regards the suspected offence) the suspected offender intended to be, or believed would be, involved in the offence mentioned in section 14(1)(b) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (“the arranged or facilitated offence”) was a child aged 13 or over.</p>	<p>(3) The second condition is that the person reasonably believes that— (a) each person involved in the suspected offence was a child aged 13 or over, and (b) each person whom (as regards the suspected offence) the suspected offender intended to be, or believed would be, involved in the offence mentioned in section 14(1)(b) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (“the arranged or facilitated offence”) was a child aged 13 or over.</p>
<p>(4) The third condition is that the person is satisfied that— (a) each person (if any) involved in the suspected offence (other than the suspected offender) consented to the conduct constituting it, and (b) the suspected offender reasonably believed that each person whom the suspected offender intended to be, or believed would be, involved in the arranged or facilitated offence would consent to the conduct constituting it.</p>	<p>(4) The third condition is that the person is satisfied that— (a) each person (if any) involved in the suspected offence (other than the suspected offender) consented to the conduct constituting it, and (b) the suspected offender reasonably believed that each person whom the suspected offender intended to be, or believed would be, involved in the arranged or facilitated offence would consent to the conduct constituting it.</p>

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<p>(5) The fourth condition is that the person is satisfied that it would not be appropriate in the circumstances to make a notification under section (Duty to report child sex offences), having regard (among other things) to the risk of harm to each person—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) involved in the suspected offence, or (b) who the suspected offender intended to be, or believed would be, involved in the arranged or facilitated offence. 	<p>(5) The fourth condition is that the person is satisfied that it would not be appropriate in the circumstances to make a notification under section 45, having regard (among other things) to the risk of harm to each person—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) involved in the suspected offence, or (b) whom the suspected offender intended to be, or believed would be, involved in the arranged or facilitated offence.
<p>(6) For the purposes of the third condition, a child consents if the child agrees by choice, and has the freedom and capacity to make that choice.</p>	<p>(6) For the purposes of the third condition, a child consents if the child agrees by choice, and has the freedom and capacity to make that choice.</p>
<p>(7) “Child” and “child sex offence” have the same meaning in this section as in section (Duty to report child sex offences).”</p>	
<p>Exception in respect of certain disclosures by children</p>	<p>50 Exception in respect of certain disclosures by children</p>
<p>(1) The duty under section (Duty to report child sex offences) does not apply to a person (P) where—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) P is given reason to suspect that another person (A) may have committed a child sex offence by a communication by A within section (Reasons to suspect child sex offence may have been committed)(4), and (b) P reasonably believes that— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) A is a child, and (ii) each other person involved in the suspect offence is a child aged 13 or over. 	<p>(1) The duty under section 45 does not apply to a person (P) if—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) P is given reason to suspect that another person (A) may have committed a child sex offence by a communication by A that is within section 47(4), and (b) P reasonably believes that— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) A is a child, and (ii) each other person involved in the suspected offence is a child aged 13 or over.
	<p>(2) Section 45(11)(b) (references to “involved in the suspected offence”) applies for the purposes of this section.</p>
<p>(2) “Child”, “child sex offence” and “involved in the suspected offence” have the same meaning in this section as in section (Duty to report child sex offences).”</p>	
	<p>51 Exception for persons providing specified services</p>
	<p>(1) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that the duty under section 45 does not apply in relation to a person providing a specified service or a specified description of service. “Specified” here means specified in the regulations.</p>

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	<p>(2) A service or description of service may be specified only if the Secretary of State is satisfied that—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the service relates to the safety or well-being of children, and (b) it is in the interests of children for the service to be provided on a confidential basis.
<p>Offence of preventing or deterring a person from complying with duty to report child sex offences</p>	<p>52 Preventing or deterring a person from complying with duty to report suspected child sex offence</p>
<p>(1) A person commits an offence if they—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) know that a person is under a duty under section (Duty to report child sex offences), and (b) engage in any conduct with the intention of preventing or deterring that person from complying with that duty. 	<p>(1) A person commits an offence if they—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) know that a person is under a duty under section 45, and (b) engage in any conduct with the intention of preventing or deterring that person from complying with that duty.
<p>(2) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section to show that the conduct that they engaged in consisted of making representations about the timing of a notification under section (Duty to report child sex offences) in light of the best interests of any person who they reasonably believe to be a relevant child.</p>	<p>(2) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section to show that the conduct alleged to constitute the offence consisted only of making representations about the timing of a notification under section 45 in light of the best interests of any person whom they reasonably believe to be a relevant child.</p>
<p>(3) A person is taken to show the fact mentioned in subsection (2) if—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) sufficient evidence of the fact is adduced to raise an issue with respect to it, and (b) the contrary is not proved beyond reasonable doubt. 	<p>(3) A person is taken to show the fact mentioned in subsection (2) if—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) sufficient evidence of the fact is adduced to raise an issue with respect to it, and (b) the contrary is not proved beyond reasonable doubt.
<p>(4) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates’ court or a fine (or both); (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 7 years or a fine (or both). 	<p>(4) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates’ court or a fine (or both); (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 7 years or a fine (or both).
<p>(5) In this section, “relevant child” has the same meaning as in section (Duty to report child sex offences).</p> <p>(6) This section applies to persons in the service of the Crown.”</p>	
<p>Duty to report child sex offences: modifications for constables</p>	<p>53 Modification of Chapter for constables</p>

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<p>(1) A constable who is under a duty under section (Duty to report child sex offences) is to be treated as having complied with the duty if the constable records, in accordance with applicable policy and procedure, the matters that gave the constable reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed (for the purposes of section (Duty to report child sex offences)).</p>	<p>(1) A constable who is under a duty under section 45 is to be treated as having complied with the duty if the constable records, in accordance with applicable policy and procedure, the matters that gave the constable reason to suspect that a child sex offence may have been committed (for the purposes of section 5).</p>
<p>(2) In the application of sections (Duty to report child sex offences)(4), (Exception for certain consensual sexual activity among children)(5) and (Exception relating to commission of offence under section 14 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 by a child in certain circumstances)(5) in respect of a constable, the references in those provisions to the making of a notification under section (Duty to report child sex offences) include references to the making of a record under subsection (1) of this section.</p>	<p>(2) In the application of sections 45(7), 48(5) and 49(5) in respect of a constable, the references in those provisions to the making of a notification under section 45 include references to the making of a record under subsection (1) of this section.</p>
<p>(3) In this section— “applicable policy and procedure” means the policy and procedure relating to the recording of criminal offences of the police force of which the constable mentioned in subsection (1) is a member; “child sex offence” has the same meaning as in section (Duty to report child sex offences); “police force” includes— (a) the British Transport Police Force, and (b) the Ministry of Defence police.”</p>	<p>(3) In this section— “applicable policy and procedure” means the policy and procedure relating to the recording of criminal offences of the police force of which the constable mentioned in subsection (1) is a member; “police force” includes— (a) the British Transport Police Force, and (b) the Ministry of Defence police.</p>
<p>Duty to report child sex offences: power to amend</p>	<p>54 Powers to amend this Chapter, and consequential amendment</p>

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<p>The Secretary of State may by regulations amend—</p> <p>(a) section (Duty to report child sex offences) so as to—</p> <p>(i) change the person or persons to whom a notification under section (Duty to report child sex offences) is to be made;</p> <p>(ii) provide that a notification under that section must (in any event) be made within a particular period;</p> <p>(b) this Act so as to add or change an exception to the duty under section (Duty to report child sex offences);</p> <p>(c) Schedule (Duty to report child sex offences: child sex offences and further relevant activities) so as—</p> <p>(i) add an offence to, remove an offence from, or otherwise change the offences specified in Part 1 of that Schedule;</p> <p>(ii) add an activity to, remove an activity from or otherwise change the activities specified in Part 2 of that Schedule.”</p>	<p>(1) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend—</p> <p>(a) section 45 so as to change the person or persons to whom a notification under that section is to be made;</p> <p>(b) this Chapter so as to add or change an exception to the duty under section 45;</p> <p>(c) Schedule 7 (child sex offences, and further relevant activities). The regulations may make consequential amendments of this Chapter.</p>
	<p>(2) In Schedule 3 to the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (barred lists), in paragraph 4(1) (relevant conduct for purposes of paragraph 3) after paragraph (e) insert—</p> <p>“(f) failing to comply with the duty under section 45 of the Crime and Policing Act 2025 (duty to report suspected child sex offence).”</p>
<p>SCHEDULE DUTY TO REPORT CHILD SEX OFFENCES: CHILD SEX OFFENCES AND FURTHER RELEVANT ACTIVITIES</p>	<p>SCHEDULE 7 DUTY TO REPORT CHILD SEX OFFENCES: CHILD SEX OFFENCES AND FURTHER RELEVANT ACTIVITIES</p>
<p>PART 1 CHILD SEX OFFENCES</p>	<p>PART 1 CHILD SEX OFFENCES</p>

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<p>1 An offence under any of—</p> <p>(a) section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1978 (taking etc indecent photograph of child);</p> <p>(b) section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (possession of indecent photograph of child);</p> <p>(c) the following provisions of the Sexual Offences Act 2003—</p> <p>(i) sections 5 to 8 (rape and other offences against children under 13);</p> <p>(ii) sections 9 to 15A (other child sex offences);</p> <p>(iii) sections 16 to 19 (abuse of position of trust);</p> <p>(iv) sections 25 and 26 (familial child sex offences);</p> <p>(v) sections 47 to 50 (sexual exploitation of children);</p> <p>(d) section 62 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (possession of prohibited image of child).</p>	<p>1 An offence under any of—</p> <p>(a) section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1978 (taking etc indecent photograph of child);</p> <p>(b) section 160 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (possession of indecent photograph of child);</p> <p>(c) the following provisions of the Sexual Offences Act 2003—</p> <p>(i) sections 5 to 8 (rape and other offences against children under 13);</p> <p>(ii) sections 9 to 15A (other child sex offences);</p> <p>(iii) sections 16 to 19 (abuse of position of trust);</p> <p>(iv) sections 25 and 26 (familial child sex offences);</p> <p>(v) sections 47 to 50 (sexual exploitation of children);</p> <p>(d) section 62 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (possession of prohibited image of child).</p>
<p>2 An offence under any of the following provisions of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 where the victim, or intended victim, was aged under 18—</p> <p>(a) sections 1 to 4 (rape, assault and causing sexual activity without consent);</p> <p>(b) sections 30 to 41 (sexual offences relating to persons with mental disorder);</p> <p>(c) sections 57 to 59A (trafficking);</p> <p>(d) sections 61 to 63 (preparatory offences);</p> <p>(e) sections 66 to 67A (exposure and voyeurism).</p>	<p>2 An offence under any of the following provisions of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 where the victim, or intended victim, was a child—</p> <p>(a) sections 1 to 4 (rape, assault and causing sexual activity without consent);</p> <p>(b) sections 30 to 41 (sexual offences relating to persons with mental disorder);</p> <p>(c) sections 61 to 63 (preparatory offences);</p> <p>(d) sections 66 to 67A (exposure and voyeurism).</p>
	<p>3 An offence under section 2 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (human trafficking) against a child, committed with a view to exploitation that consists of or includes behaviour within section 3(3) of that Act (sexual exploitation).</p>
<p>3 An inchoate offence (within the meaning given by section 398 of the Sentencing Code) in relation to an offence referred to in paragraph 1 or 2.</p>	<p>4 An inchoate offence (within the meaning given by section 398 of the Sentencing Code) in relation to an offence referred to in paragraph 1, 2 or 3.</p>
<p>4 An offence under the law of Scotland, Northern Ireland or any country or territory outside the United Kingdom which would be an offence referred to in a preceding provision of this Part of this Schedule if the conduct constituting the offence occurred in England and Wales.</p>	<p>5 An offence under the law of Scotland, Northern Ireland or any country or territory outside the United Kingdom which would be an offence referred to in a preceding provision of this Part of this Schedule if the conduct constituting the offence occurred in England and Wales.</p>
<p>PART 2 FURTHER RELEVANT ACTIVITIES</p>	<p>PART 2 FURTHER RELEVANT ACTIVITIES</p>

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<p>5 Engaging in the provision of a service to a child under, or pursuant to anything done under—</p> <p>(a) any of sections 8 to 10 of the Employment and Training Act 1973, or</p> <p>(b) section 68, 70(1)(b) or 74 of the Education and Skills Act 2008, if that involves looking after the child on an individual basis.</p>	<p>1 Engaging in the provision of a service to a child under, or pursuant to anything done under—</p> <p>(a) any of sections 8 to 10 of the Employment and Training Act 1973, or</p> <p>(b) section 68, 70(1)(b) or 74 of the Education and Skills Act 2008, if that involves looking after the child on an individual basis.</p>
<p>6 Activities of a person in the exercise of functions of a local authority under section 20 or 21 of the Children Act 1989, if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child concerned in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>2 Activities of a person in the exercise of functions of a local authority under section 20 or 21 of the Children Act 1989, if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child concerned in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>7 Activities of a person relating to them reporting to the court under section 7 of the Children Act 1989 on matters relating to the welfare of a child, if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>3 Activities of a person relating to them reporting to the court under section 7 of the Children Act 1989 on matters relating to the welfare of a child, if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>8 Activities of a person in connection with a placement under section 22C(5) of the Children Act 1989, if the person looks after the child concerned on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>4 Activities of a person in connection with a placement under section 22C(5) of the Children Act 1989, if the person looks after the child concerned on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>9 Activities of a person in connection with providing a child with, or maintaining a child in, suitable accommodation under section 23B(8)(b) of the Children Act 1989, if the person looks after the child on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>5 Activities of a person in connection with providing a child with, or maintaining a child in, suitable accommodation under section 23B(8)(b) of the Children Act 1989, if the person looks after the child on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>10 Acting as a personal advisor for a child under section 23B(2) of, or paragraph 19C of Schedule 2 to, the Children Act 1989, if that involves looking after the child on an individual basis when so acting.</p>	<p>6 Acting as a personal advisor for a child under section 23B(2) of, or paragraph 19C of Schedule 2 to, the Children Act 1989, if that involves looking after the child on an individual basis when so acting.</p>
<p>11 Activities of a person in connection with the provision of accommodation for a child by a voluntary organisation under section 59 of the Children Act 1989, if the person looks after the child concerned on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>7 Activities of a person in connection with the provision of accommodation for a child by a voluntary organisation under section 59 of the Children Act 1989, if the person looks after the child on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>12 Activities of a person in the exercise of functions conferred by virtue of a care order, supervision order or education supervision order, if the person looks after the child concerned on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>8 Activities of a person in the exercise of functions conferred by virtue of a care order, supervision order or education supervision order, if the person looks after the child concerned on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>

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<p>13 Activities of a person so far as acting as—</p> <p>(a) an officer appointed for a child under section 41(1) of the Children Act 1989,</p> <p>(b) a guardian of a child appointed under rule 6 or rule 18 of the Adoption Rules 1984 (S.I. 1984/265),</p> <p>(c) a guardian ad litem of a child appointed under rule 9.5 of the Family Proceedings Rules 1991 (S. I. 1991/1247), or</p> <p>(d) a guardian of a child appointed under rule 59 of the Family Procedure (Adoption) Rules 2005 (S.I. 2005/2795) or rule 16.3(1)(ii) or rule 16.4 of the Family Procedure Rules 2010 (S.I. 2010/2955),</p> <p>if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>9 Activities of a person so far as acting as—</p> <p>(a) an officer appointed for a child under section 41(1) of the Children Act 1989,</p> <p>(b) a guardian of a child appointed under rule 6 or rule 18 of the Adoption Rules 1984 (S.I. 1984/265),</p> <p>(c) a guardian ad litem of a child appointed under rule 9.5 of the Family Proceedings Rules 1991 (S.I. 1991/1247), or</p> <p>(d) a guardian of a child appointed under rule 59 of the Family Procedure (Adoption) Rules 2005 (S.I. 2005/2795) or rule 16.3(1)(ii) or rule 16.4 of the Family Procedure Rules 2010 (S.I. 2010/2955),</p> <p>if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>14 Activities of a person pursuant to requirements imposed on a child—</p> <p>(a) by or under an enactment on the child’s release from detention for a criminal offence, or</p> <p>(b) by a court order made in criminal proceedings,</p> <p>if the person looks after the child on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>	<p>10 Activities of a person pursuant to requirements imposed on a child—</p> <p>(a) by or under an enactment on the child’s release from detention for a criminal offence, or</p> <p>(b) by a court order made in criminal proceedings,</p> <p>if the person looks after the child on an individual basis in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>15 Activities of a constable of a relevant police force carried out in connection with their holding of that office.</p>	<p>11 Activities of a constable of a relevant police force carried out in connection with their holding of that office.</p>
	<p>12 Activities of a person in connection with training, supervising or instructing a child for the purposes of a religion or belief, if the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child in the course of those activities.</p>
<p>16 For the purposes of this Part of this Schedule, a person (A) looks after another person (B) on an individual basis if—</p> <p>(a) A is regularly involved in caring for, training or supervising B, and</p> <p>(b) in the course of A’s involvement, A has regular unsupervised contact with B.</p>	<p>13 For the purposes of this Part of this Schedule, a person “looks after a child an individual basis” if—</p> <p>(a) the person is regularly involved in caring for, training or supervising the child, and</p> <p>(b) in the course of the person’s involvement, the person has regular unsupervised contact with the child.</p>

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<p>17 In this Part of this Schedule— “care order” has the same meaning as in the Children Act 1989; “child” has the same meaning as in section (Duty to report child sex offences); “education supervision order” has the meaning given by section 36 of the Children Act 1989; “regular unsupervised contact” means regular unsupervised contact that is face to face or by any other means; “relevant police force” means— (a) a police force maintained for a police area in England; (b) the British Transport Police Force; (c) the Ministry of Defence police. “supervision order” has the meaning given by section 31(11) of the Children Act 1989.”</p>	<p>14 In this Part of this Schedule— “care order” has the same meaning as in the Children Act 1989; “education supervision order” has the meaning given by section 36 of the Children Act 1989; “regular unsupervised contact” means any kind of regular unsupervised contact (whether or not the contact is face to face); “relevant police force” means— (a) a police force maintained for a police area in England, (b) the British Transport Police Force, or (c) the Ministry of Defence police; “supervision order” has the meaning given by section 31(11) of the Children Act 1989.</p>