

Profile of Partner Equality Body

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Date established:

1976

Mode of establishment:

Primary Legislation (Statute)

Status:

Non – Governmental Public Body

Mandate/objectives:

S43 (1), (a) - (c) Race Relations Act 1976:

(a) To work towards the elimination of discrimination.

(b) To promote equality of opportunity, and good relations, between persons of different racial groups generally; and

(c) To keep under review the working of this Act and, when they are so required by the Secretary of State or otherwise think it necessary, draw up and submit to the Secretary of State proposals for amending it.

Grounds of Discrimination covered:

Race

Competences and responsibilities:

The Statutory Role of the Commission For Racial Equality

Foundation Duties

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- To work towards the elimination of discrimination.
- To promote equality of opportunity and good relations between persons of different racial groups generally.
- Keep under review the working of the Act.

Other Duties

- Make an annual report on its activities. (S 46).
- Establish and maintain a register of non-discrimination notices. (S 61).

Powers

- May bring proceedings in respect of discriminatory practices. (S 28)
- Bring proceedings in respect of discriminatory advertisements. (S 29)
- Bring proceedings in respect of instructions to discriminate. (S 30)
- Bring proceedings in respect of pressure to discriminate. (S 31)
- Grant financial or other assistance to any organisation appearing to the CRE to be concerned with the promotion of equality of opportunity and good relations. (S 44)
- May undertake or assist research and any educational activities. (S 45)
- May issue Codes of Practice containing such practical guidance as the CRE thinks fit, for specified purposes. (S 47)
- Power to serve a notice to obtain information for the purposes of a formal investigation. (S 50)
- Make recommendations and reports on formal investigations. (S 51)
- Conduct Formal investigations. (S 48 – 52)
- Issue Non Discrimination Notices. (S 58)
- May seek an injunction in respect of persistent discrimination. (S 62)
- Provide assistance to complainants in relating to proceedings or prospective proceedings. (S 66)
- Issue Codes of Practice in respect of the General Statutory Duty. (S 71C).

Main Activities:

- Assistance to victims
- Independent investigations
- Advice
- Research

- Funding organisations

Publications:

www.cre.gov.uk

Management:

Chair – Trevor Phillips

14 Commissioners

Chief Executive

Nomination of senior staff and board:

Government

Number of Staff:

200

Budget:

£ 20 million

Accountability:

Report to Parliament

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