

Appendix 3

Overall Implementation Table

10.1 The Government attaches great importance to the 2000 Act and wishes to implement it as quickly as possible. This is reflected in the individual dates as set out in earlier chapters of this paper.* Overall they give rise to the following broad timetable:

April 2001	New Provisions into force: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outlawing race discrimination in “all” public functions;• Outlawing race discrimination in public appointments not previously covered;• Applying the general duty to promote to bodies already in Schedule 1A;• Making Chief Officers of Police vicariously liable;• Limiting the circumstances in which safeguarding national security can be used to justify race discrimination.
July 2001	Make secondary legislation imposing specific duties on listed public bodies, leaving the way clear for the CRE to publicly consult on its Draft Code of Practice. Make secondary legislation extending the list of bodies to which the general duty applies.
Summer 2001	Code of Practice: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CRE public consultation on drafts;• Clearance with the Secretary of State and consultation with Scottish Executive Ministers and the National Assembly for Wales as appropriate;• Laying before Parliament.
November 2001	Specific duties to promote race equality come into force, allowing six months for compliance. Code of Practice come into force.
May 2002	Specific duties to have been complied with.

10.2 To meet the July 2001 date and subsequent deadlines, public bodies and others are invited to submit comments on the proposals made in this paper for extending the general duty to promote race equality and on the specific dates that should apply by 15 May 2001. They should be sent by post to the Race Equality Bill Team, Home Office, 12th Floor, 50 Queen Anne’s Gate, London SW1H 9AT. Alternatively, they can be sent by e-mail to BTRE@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk

10.3 Scottish based respondents may wish to copy (or send) their responses to the Race Equality Team, Scottish Executive, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ.

*Home Office Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000 – New Laws for a Successful Multi-Racial Britain, Proposals for Implementation