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Financial Action Task Force - Recommendations - International Standards on Combating Money Laundering and the Financing of Terrorism and Proliferation, see Recommendation 8: Non-profit organisations


Financial Services Authority - International Regulatory Outlook, 2006

HM Treasury - Counter terrorist finance strategy

HM Treasury/Home Office - Review of Safeguards to Protect the Charitable Sector from Terrorist Abuse: Summary of Responses and Next Steps, 2007

Home Office - Counter-Terrorism Strategy (CONTEST), 2011

Other government departments and agencies

Home Office

The Home Office is the lead government department for immigration and passports, drugs policy, counter-terrorism and police. The Home Office is responsible for keeping the UK safe from the threat posed by terrorism.

The Home Office has recently revised the UK’s counter-terrorism strategy - known as CONTEST - to reflect the changing nature of the terrorist threat.

The Office for Security and Counter Terrorism (OSCT) in the Home Office works to bring cohesion and strength to the UK’s fight against terrorism. It supports the Home Secretary and other government ministers in developing, directing and implementing the country’s counter-terrorism strategy. OSCT oversees the Security Service and police counter-terrorism operations in the UK, and manages the handling of terrorist attacks. OSCT maintains the list of organisations proscribed under the Terrorism Act 2000.

HM Treasury

The HM Treasury is responsible for the implementation and administration of international financial sanctions in the UK, for domestic designation (principally under the Terrorism Orders) and for licensing exemptions to financial sanctions.

The Asset Freezing Unit maintains a consolidated list of asset freeze targets designated by the UN, EU and UK under legislation relating to current financial sanctions regimes.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

The FCO supports British nationals overseas through embassies, high commissions and other diplomatic posts and provides practical travel advice and updated profiles of every country worldwide online.

The FCO is also responsible for overall policy on international sanctions including the scope and content of international sanction regimes.

Metropolitan Police

The Metropolitan Police has set up a confidential Anti-Terrorist Hotline which is staffed around the clock by specialist counter-terrorism police officers.

If you think you have seen something suspicious or you are unsure about somebody’s activities or behaviour, however insignificant it may seem at the time, call the confidential Anti-Terrorist hotline on 0800 789 321. A textphone service is available for people with speech or hearing difficulties on 0800 032 45 39

The Metropolitan Police has specialist units that deal with protecting the UK from the threat of terrorism, bringing together intelligence gathering, analysis and development with investigation and operational support activity. There is also a specialist Intelligence unit that deals with the threat of terrorist financing nationally. Other regional police forces also may have counter-terrorism units.
National Crime Agency

The NCA is a new crime-fighting agency with national and international reach and the mandate and powers to work in partnership with other law enforcement organisations to bring the full weight of the law to bear in cutting serious and organised crime.

It has five separate commands: border policing; economic crime; organised crime; national cyber crime; and CEOP (child exploitation and on-line protection.)

Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG)

Communities and Local Government sets policy on local government, housing, urban regeneration, planning and fire and rescue. It has responsibility for all race equality and community cohesion related issues in England. Part of DCLG’s role is to administer the ‘PREVENT’ strand of the UK Government’s counter-terrorism strategy (CONTEST).

Department for International Development (DFID)

DFID is the part of the UK government that manages Britain’s aid to poor countries and works to get rid of extreme poverty, working with governments of developing countries, charities, businesses and international bodies, including the World Bank, the UN agencies and the European Commission.

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR)

OSCR is the independent registrar and regulator for Scotland’s 23,500 charities. OSCR is a Non-Ministerial Department and forms part of the Scottish Administration.

Department for Social Development in Northern Ireland (DSD)

The Department for Social Development in Northern Ireland has strategic responsibility for urban regeneration, community and voluntary sector development, including charities, social legislation, housing, social security benefits, pensions and child support.

The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland

The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland is the new independent regulator of charities in Northern Ireland.

Useful website links

The full text of all UK Acts and Statutory Instruments mentioned in this guidance is available on: www.legislation.gov.uk (although please note that Statutory Instruments may appear in unamended form on this site.)
An overview of terrorism legislation in the UK, including the Terrorism Acts 2000 and 2006

- Terrorism Acts 2000 and 2006
- Anti-Terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001
- Counter-Terrorism Act 2008
- Terrorist Asset Freezing etc Act 2010
- Terrorism Prevention and Investigations Measure Act 2011
- The Afghanistan (Asset Freezing) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011/1893)
- The Al-Qaida (Asset Freezing) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011/2742)
- Protection of Freedoms Act 2012

The Home Office list of proscribed terrorist organisations.

Details of Financial Sanctions regimes in the UK from HM Treasury, including a link to the consolidated list of designated entities, groups and persons.

US Office of Foreign Assets Control

Government advice on Staying Safe, including advice on reporting suspicious activity.

Charity Commission guidance

Counter-terrorism strategy
OG410 Charities and Terrorism
How to report a serious incident in your charity
How to manage risks in your charity
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| Part 3 - Prosecution of terror offences | Jurisdiction, sentencing and forfeiture |
| Part 5 - Terrorist financing and money laundering | Conferring powers to HM Treasury |
| Part 6 - Financial restrictions proceedings | Rules of Court, disclosure and related matters |
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### Terrorist Asset Freezing Act 2010

| Part 1 - Designated Persons | Meaning of designated person, final and interim designations, prohibitions, exceptions and licences, circumventing prohibitions, HM Treasury information requirements, supervision of exercise of powers, offences |
| Part 2 - Terrorist financing, money laundering | Directions to credit and financial institutions and subsidiaries, general directions and other requirements |
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### Terrorism Prevention and Investigations Measure Act 2011

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| Sections 6-22 | Court scrutiny, consultation, review of necessity, appeals, safeguards |
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The Afghanistan (Asset Freezing) Regulations 2011

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Protection of Freedoms Act 2012

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| Amends the stop and search powers under TA 2000.
The table below contains the possible criminal offences under the Terrorism Acts (TA) 2000 and 2006 and the Terrorist Asset Freezing etc Act 2010 (TAFA) the section of Acts where they can be found.

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<td>Arranging, managing or assisting in arranging or managing a meeting which is known to support a proscribed organisation, to further the activities of a proscribed organisation or to be addressed by a person who belongs or professes to belong to a proscribed organisation</td>
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<td>Addressing a meeting where the purpose of the address is to encourage support for a proscribed organisation or to further its activities</td>
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<td>Inviting another to give, lend or otherwise make available, whether or not for a consideration, money or other property and intending that it should be used, or having reasonable cause to suspect that it might be used for the purposes of terrorism</td>
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<td>Entering into or being concerned in an arrangement which facilitates the retention or control of terrorist property by or on behalf of another person by concealment, removal from the jurisdiction, transfer to the nominees or in any other way</td>
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<td>Failure to disclose beliefs or suspicions to the police that another has committed an offence under sections 15 to 18 where that information comes to his attention in the course of his business, trade, profession or employment and there is no reasonable excuse for not making that disclosure</td>
<td>TA 2000 s19</td>
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<td>Directing at any level the activities of an organisation which is concerned in the commission of acts of terrorism</td>
<td>TA2000 s56</td>
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<td>Inciting another person to commit an act of terrorism wholly or partly outside the UK and the act would, if the offence was committed in the UK constitute one of the following - Murder, an offence under sections 18, 23, 28, 29 or 34 of the Offences Against the Person Act 1861 (wounding with intent, poison or explosions), or endangering life by damaging property</td>
<td>TA 2000 s59 - 61</td>
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<td>Publishing or causing to be published a statement which is likely to be understood by some or all of the members of the public to whom it is published as a direct or indirect encouragement or other inducement to them to the commission, preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism or Convention offences (as set out in Schedule 1 to the Act), and, at the time of publication or at the time of causing another to publish, it is intended or the person is reckless as to whether members of the public are or will be directly or indirectly encouraged or otherwise induced by the statement to commit, prepare or instigate such offences</td>
<td>TA 2006 s1 &amp; Schedule 1</td>
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<td>Dissemination (or possession with intent to disseminate) in any of the methods set out in section 2(2), a terrorist publication (as defined in section 2(3)) where the intention of dissemination is a direct or indirect encouragement or other inducement to the commission, preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism, or the assistance in the commission or preparation of such acts. If it is not the intention of the dissemination to have that effect, it is an offence to be reckless as to whether the dissemination has that effect</td>
<td>TA 2006 s2</td>
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<td>The preparation of terrorist acts if done with the intention of committing acts of terrorism, or assisting another to commit such acts; providing training for terrorism, and receiving such training, and attending any place, worldwide, used for terrorism training</td>
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<td>Disclosure of information relating to designation specified by HM Treasury as confidential</td>
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<td>Intentionally participating in activities knowing that the object of effect of them is to circumvent the prohibitions in s11- s15, or to enable or facilitate the contravention of any such prohibition</td>
<td>TAFA s18</td>
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<td>Failure by a relevant institution to inform HM Treasury if it knows or has reasonable grounds to suspect that a person is a designated person or has committed an offence in respect of prohibitions in relation to designated persons.</td>
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<td>Failure to comply HM Treasury with information made under Chapter 3 of TAFA</td>
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**Definition of terrorism and terrorist financing under UK legislation**

The Terrorism Act 2000 defines “terrorism” in s1 of that Act as:

1. “In this Act “terrorism” means the use or threat of action where
   a. the action falls within subsection (2),
   b. the use or threat is designed to influence the government [or an international governmental organisation]$^1$ or to intimidate the public or a section of the public, and
   c. the use or threat is made for the purpose of advancing a political, religious, [racial]$^2$ or ideological cause.

2. Action falls within this subsection if it
   a. involves serious violence against a person,
   b. involves serious damage to property,
   c. endangers a person’s life, other than that of the person committing the action,
   d. creates a serious risk to the health or safety of the public or a section of the public, or
   e. is designed seriously to interfere with or seriously to disrupt an electronic system.

3. The use or threat of action falling within subsection (2) which involves the use of firearms or explosives is terrorism whether or not subsection (1)(b) is satisfied.

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1 Amendment by Terrorism Act 2006 c. 11 Pt 2 s. 34  
2 Amendment by Counter-Terrorism Act 2008 c.28 Pt 7 s.75 (2) (a)
4. In this section
   a. “action” includes action outside the United Kingdom,
   b. a reference to any person or to property is a reference to any person, or to property, wherever situated,
   c. a reference to the public includes a reference to the public of a country other than the United Kingdom, and
   d. “the government” means the government of the United Kingdom, of a Part of the United Kingdom or of a country other than the United Kingdom.
5. In this Act a reference to action taken for the purposes of terrorism includes a reference to action taken for the benefit of a proscribed organisation.

**Terrorist financing offences**

The Terrorism Act 2000 s15-18 contains “terrorist financing” offences. There is a positive duty to report suspicions or beliefs of where someone has committed one of these offences to the police under s19 Terrorism Act 2000. This applies to certain regulated sectors, and applies to charities, their trustees, employees and volunteers. These offences are:

**15 Fund-raising**

1. A person commits an offence if he
   a. invites another to provide money or other property, and
   b. intends that it should be used, or has reasonable cause to suspect that it may be used, for the purposes of terrorism.
2. A person commits an offence if he
   a. receives money or other property, and
   b. intends that it should be used, or has reasonable cause to suspect that it may be used, for the purposes of terrorism.
3. A person commits an offence if he
   a. provides money or other property, and
   b. knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that it will or may be used for the purposes of terrorism.
4. In this section a reference to the provision of money or other property is a reference to its being given, lent or otherwise made available, whether or not for consideration.
16 Use and possession
1. A person commits an offence if he uses money or other property for the purposes of terrorism.
2. A person commits an offence if he
   a. possesses money or other property, and
   b. intends that it should be used, or has reasonable cause to suspect that it may be used, for the purposes of terrorism.

17 Funding arrangements
A person commits an offence if
   a. he enters into or becomes concerned in an arrangement as a result of which money or other property is made available or is to be made available to another, and
   b. he knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that it will or may be used for the purposes of terrorism.

18 Money laundering
1. A person commits an offence if he enters into or becomes concerned in an arrangement which facilitates the retention or control by or on behalf of another person of terrorist property
   a. by concealment,
   b. by removal from the jurisdiction,
   c. by transfer to nominees, or
   d. in any other way.
2. It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under subsection (1) to prove that he did not know and had no reasonable cause to suspect that the arrangement related to terrorist property."
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<td>UN International Convention for the Suppression of Financing of Terrorism&lt;br&gt;Terrorist Financing recognised as an offence worldwide</td>
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<td>UK Terrorism Act introduced&lt;br&gt;UK law updated in response to changing international threat</td>
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<td>2001</td>
<td>UN Security Council Resolution 1373 adopted&lt;br&gt;Security Act introduced&lt;br&gt;FATF Special Recommendations on terrorist finances put forward&lt;br&gt;Non-profit sector identified by FATF as vulnerable to threat</td>
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<td>2002</td>
<td>UK Counter-Terrorism Strategy (CONTEST) formed&lt;br&gt;UK Government’s strategy coordinated for combating symptoms and causes of terrorism</td>
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<td>2005</td>
<td>EU Not-for-Profit Code of Conduct drafted&lt;br&gt;UK Prevention of Terrorism Act introduced&lt;br&gt;EU recommendations to address vulnerabilities of non-profit sector</td>
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Quick guide chart for checking the consolidated list of designated individuals and entities

Does a charity employee, volunteer, partner or beneficiary appear on the HM Treasury Consolidated List of Financial Sanctions Targets?

No

Possible Positive Match

Check against:
- Aliases, including different spellings
- Address
- Date of Birth
- Country

Still Unclear

Contact HM Treasury for advice

Consider terminating the relationship if it already exists

Terminate No

If charity wants to continue the relationship, consider whether a license is needed (contact HM Treasury) and whether charity law is being breached (contact Charity Commission for formal advice under s110 of Charities Act 2011)

Terminate Yes

Carry out an assessment of the risks, including:
- The risk of a criminal offence (i.e. does the designated individual or entity have any financial involvement with the charity?)
- The risk of the charity supporting terrorism or being seen to support terrorism
- Risks to the charity’s reputation

Confirmation No

Record date and result of search in internal compliance records

Consider running updated checks according to the level of risk, or when new parties become involved with the charity

Confirmation Yes

Notify the Charity Commission and HM Treasury

Yes
Quick guide chart for cross-checking trustees with the consolidated list of designated individuals and entities

Does a trustee appear on the HM Treasury Consolidated List of Financial Sanctions Targets?

No

Possible Positive Match

Check against:
- Aliases, including different spellings
- Address
- Date of Birth
- Country

Confirmation No

Record date and result of search in internal compliance records
Consider running annual checks on trustees or when new trustees are appointed

Confirmation Yes

Notify the Charity Commission and HM Treasury

Still Unclear

Contact HM Treasury for advice

Confirmation No

Consider the removal of the trustee - check powers in the charity’s Governing Document

No power of removal

Seek advice from the Charity Commission

Confirmation Yes

Ask the trustee to resign

Resign No

Resign Yes

Notify the Commission and HM Treasury of resignation
Quick guide chart for checking another country’s list

Does a charity employee, volunteer, partner or beneficiary appear on another country’s list, but not on the UK list?

Yes

Consider seeking independent legal advice

No

Possible Positive Match

Check against:
• Aliases, including different spellings
• Address
• Date of Birth
• Country

Confirmation Yes

Consider whether the international designation is in an area where the charity operates and how this might impact the charity

Confirmation No

Contact Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) for operational advice

Confirmation No

Record date and result of any searches in internal compliance records
Consider running further checks according to the level of risk, for example, when an area of operation has a particular risk attached

Confirmation No

High Risk Identified

Undertake a full risk assessment, considering:
• Legal implications in a foreign jurisdiction
• Safety implications for trustees / employees etc.
• Risks of supporting terrorism
• Risks to the charity’s reputation
• Implications on charity’s banking and other services