

Clause 12 (Discrimination) Analysis 1 April to 30 June 2022

IPSO will publish information on a quarterly basis where we have received more than ten complaints under Clause 12 of the Editors' Code of Practice about the same issue. The information below gives a brief summary of the types of complaints received and the outcome. It is not intended to be exhaustive and the statistics about the numbers of complaints received are accurate up to the end of the relevant quarter. These statistics do not include any cases still under investigation; cases relating to any non-regulated publications; or cases where IPSO received fewer than 10 complaints.

Headline	Publications	Characteristics/group	Analysis
Over 100 complaints received			
Stone the crows! Tories accuse Rayner of Basic Instinct ploy to distract Boris	The Mail on Sunday	Angela Rayner	Print article based on claims made by Conservative MPs about the alleged behaviour of the Labour Deputy Leader at Prime Minister's Questions. Complainants said that the article was misogynistic, and classist because it referred to the background of Ms Rayner. Complaints were made by third parties. One complaint made under other clauses is currently being referred through IPSO's usual procedures.
Between 10 and 100 complaints received			
Crammed into boxes hell of snakes for sale	Daily Mirror	People who own snakes	Print and online article about an event where reptiles are for sale. Complainants said the article was one-sided and misrepresented those who attend such shows, discriminating against those who own exotic pets. No complaint of discrimination against an individual.
Boris Johnson leads backlash against 'misogynistic' attack on Angela Rayner after 'anonymous' Tories accused her of Basic Instinct-inspired ploy to 'put him off his stride' at PMQs	Mail Online	Angela Rayner	Online article following up on claims made the previous day about the Labour Deputy Leader (See Mail on Sunday article above). Complainants said that the article was misogynistic and aimed at discrediting a female politician. Complaints all made by third parties.
Centennial (cartoon)	The Irish News	Unionists / Disabled and elderly people	Cartoon depicting elderly Orange Order members at a parade to mark the 100th anniversary of the foundation of Northern Ireland. Complainants said that the cartoon inaccurately characterised participants as being elderly or disabled men which was not the case. Complainants also believed the cartoon mocked disabled people. No complaint of discrimination against an individual.