

Clause 12 (Discrimination) Analysis 1 April to 30 June 2023

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			
Did living in the shadow of his high achieving head teacher wife lead to unthinkable tragedy?	Daily Mail	Women	Online and print article which reported on the tragic murder of a woman and her child by her husband. Complainants believed that the headline was misogynistic and an example of victim blaming. They said that it implied that women are responsible for being victims if they are more successful than their partner. No complaint of discrimination against an individual.
Exactly how much of your salary bankrolls the welfare state	Telegraph.co.uk	Disabled people	Online article which included a way to calculate how much of a person's salary goes towards the welfare state. Complainants believed that the article was a way to demonise those who cannot work, particularly disabled people. They believed that the article was designed to foster hate and discrimination and was comparable to the situation in Nazi Germany. No complaint of discrimination against an individual.
Between 10 and 100 complaints received			
Wish a final farewell to Jeremy Corbyn, the god of tiny rooms	thejc.com	Christians	Online opinion piece critical of Jeremy Corbyn. The article stated that Christians shared an enemy in Jews. Complainants said that this was discriminatory and inaccurate and was spreading hate. Some complainants believed the article was also discriminatory towards Jews as they said it implied that they were all of the same view. No complaint of discrimination against an individual.
Always look on the bright side of life	The Times	Scottish politicians/Muslims	Cartoon depicting Scottish SNP politicians including Humza Yousaf and Nicola Sturgeon tied to St Andrew's crosses. Some complainants believed it was discriminatory to depict a Muslim being crucified during Holy Week and Ramadan, and that it was racist and Islamophobic. Others believed that the cartoon discriminated against Scottish politicians and showed a systemic bias against Scots. They considered the image to be vile and unacceptable. Complaints were all made by third parties.