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## EU Telecom Directives

**Law:**

“The Framework Directive” - Directive 2002/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2002 on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02002L0021-20091219&rid=1>

“The Authorisation Directive” - Directive 2002/20/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2002 on the authorisation of electronic communications networks and services:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02002L0020-20091219&rid=1>

“The Access Directive” - Directive 2002/19/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2002 on access to, and interconnection of, electronic communications networks and associated facilities:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02002L0019-20091219&rid=7>

“The Universal Service Directive” - Directive 2002/22/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 March 2002 on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks and services.

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02002L0022-20091219&rid=1>

“E-Privacy Directive” - Directive 2002/58/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 July 2002 concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector.

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02002L0058-20091219&rid=1>

The above five directives are known as the Framework Directive and the Specific Directives, or in combination the regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services

Amendments and Regulation:

Directive 2009/140/EC amends 19/20/21 above: Directive 2009/140/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 amending Directives 2002/21/EC on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services, 2002/19/EC on access to, and interconnection of, electronic communications networks and associated facilities, and Directive 2002/20/EC on the authorisation of electronic communications networks and services

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02009L0140-20091219&rid=1>

Directive 2009/136/EC, known as the Cookie Directive, amends 22 above and 2002/58: Directive 2009/136/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25<sup>th</sup> November 2009 amending Directive 2002/22/EC on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks and services, Directive 2002/58/EC concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector and Regulation (EC) No 2006/2004 on cooperation between national authorities responsible for the enforcement of consumer protection laws;

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02009L0136-20091219&rid=1>

Regulation (EC) No 1211/2009 of the EU of 25th November 2009 establishing the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) and the Office

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32009R1211&rid=2>

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**Context:**

This is the regulatory framework for electronic communications in EU member states

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**Comment:**

The first five above are known as the Framework Directive and the specific Directives; the final three are known as "The Telecoms Package"

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