



Limitation Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 58

PART I

ORDINARY TIME LIMITS FOR DIFFERENT CLASSES OF ACTION

[^{F1} Actions in respect of latent damage not involving personal injuries

[^{F1}14B Overriding time limit for negligence actions not involving personal injuries.

- (1) An action for damages for negligence, other than one to which section 11 of this Act applies, shall not be brought after the expiration of fifteen years from the date (or, if more than one, from the last of the dates) on which there occurred any act or omission—
 - (a) which is alleged to constitute negligence; and
 - (b) to which the damage in respect of which damages are claimed is alleged to be attributable (in whole or in part).
- (2) This section bars the right of action in a case to which subsection (1) above applies notwithstanding that—
 - (a) the cause of action has not yet accrued; or
 - (b) where section 14A of this Act applies to the action, the date which is for the purposes of that section the starting date for reckoning the period mentioned in subsection (4)(b) of that section has not yet occurred;before the end of the period of limitation prescribed by this section.]

Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 14A, 14B inserted with saving by [Latent Damage Act 1986 \(c. 37, SIF 79\)](#), **ss. 1, 4(1)(2)**

Changes to legislation:

Limitation Act 1980, Section 14B is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 31 March 2025. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Act applied by [2024 c. 13 s. 234\(4\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act applied by [2024 c. 13 s. 234\(4\)](#)