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Competition and
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Commission

Competition & Consumer Protection Law

What does it Mean for You?

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How you may have heard about the CCPC

Motor Insurance
Investigations

Product Safety
700 Halloween items
Seized at Dublin port

PCP Car Finance
Study

Residential Care
Services for the
Elderly

Car Clocking

Ticketing
Investigation

Waste Sector

Mortgages

Buying Online

Buying a Car

Toy Safety

Our Functions

Enforce

Enforce competition law

Enforce consumer protection law

Enforce product safety regulations

Assess specific mergers

Inform

Inform consumers about their rights

Foster business compliance

Provide personal finance information & education

Advise Government & influence policy

Protect & Regulate

Monitor compliance with Grocery sector regulations

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Authorise credit intermediaries

What is Competition Law?

Competition law prohibits businesses from:

Entering into anti-competitive agreements

or concerted engagement practices

Competition law applies not only to formal agreements

Also informal arrangements

Written or verbal agreements

The CCPC is responsible for enforcing Irish and EU competition law

Competition Law: Key Points

Areas of most engagement with traders

Not acting independently in setting prices or conditions of services

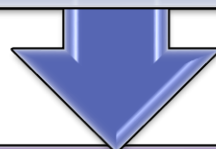


What to look out for?

Abuse of dominance i.e. predatory pricing, exclusive dealings, refusal to supply

Anti-Competitive Agreements i.e. agreements incorporating long exclusivity periods

Cartels i.e. market-sharing where competitors divide up locations or customers among themselves



How to make sure your business complies with competition law?

Act Independently

It is vital to encourage a culture of compliance in your business.

How can you ensure you are complying with consumer protection law?

Don't engage in misleading commercial practices

The goods you sell must comply with the general safety requirements

Avoid using unfair terms in your Standard Contracts



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