

**ACT ON COMPULSORY DEPOSIT OF PRINTED AND OTHER WORKS AND ON  
ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEDIA SERVICES DISTRIBUTORS AND PROVIDERS  
(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009, supplemented, SG No. 94/2018)**

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**Chapter One  
GENERAL**

Subject Matter

**Article 1.** (New, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009, supplemented, SG No. 94/2018, amended, SG No. 56/2023) This Act shall determine the grounds and procedure for the deposit of printed and other works created and circulated in the country or related thereto, as well as the procedure to announce information on the distributors of periodical printed works and the providers of media services.

Goals and tasks of the deposition

**Article 2.** The goals and tasks of the deposit stipulated by this Act shall be:

1. (amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009, SG No. 56/2023) collection and storing of deposited printed and other works according to Article 3 for the purpose of providing full collections of the said copies;
2. (amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) to provide public access to the deposited printed and other works;
3. to work out, promulgate and circulate bibliographic information;
4. to submit the legally established statistic information to the competent bodies.

**Chapter Two  
DEPOSITION OF THE PRINTED AND OTHER WORKS  
(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009)**

Objects of obligatory deposition

**Article 3.** (1) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Subject to obligatory deposition shall be:

1. works circulated on paper or other carrier by way of printing or similar means - printed matter issued by Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
2. works circulated on sound carriers whose producers are Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
3. works circulated on film carriers whose producer or at least one of the co-producers or manufacturers are Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
4. works circulated on electronic carriers by Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
5. (new, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) works in a digital format published on electronic communication networks intended for reading or other ways of perception and disseminated for public use by Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
6. (renumbered from Item 5, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) dissertations and academic rank works protected in the country or abroad, if the author is a Bulgarian citizen;

7. (renumbered from Item 6, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) orders, medals, coat-of-arms, badges and plackets produced in the country by an order of state bodies, Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
  8. (renumbered from Item 7, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) banknotes and coins for use in the country;
  9. (renumbered from Item 8, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) post stamps for use in the country.
- (2) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Subject to obligatory deposition shall also be:
1. the objects under Paragraph 1 created or produced abroad by an order of Bulgarian individuals or corporate bodies;
  2. printed matters in the Bulgarian language or regarding Bulgaria, if imported in quantities indicating intention of trading or other wide distribution in the country.

Objects which are not subject to obligatory deposition

**Article 4.** (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Subject to no obligatory deposition shall be objects under Article 3, Paragraph 1, item 1 - 5 if they are created, fulfilled, filmed and produced for personal or departmental use.

Subjects of obligatory depositions

**Article 5.** (1) (Previous text of Article 5, amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Printed and other works shall be deposited by persons who:

1. (amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) are publishers, producers or manufacturers of objects under Article 3, Paragraph 1, item 1 - 5, 7 and 8;
2. (amended, SG No. 101/2010) confer in Bulgaria scientific degrees or appoint to academic positions after defence of dissertations and academic rank works or who legalise documents for obtained scientific degrees or scientific ranks abroad;
3. issue and circulate Bulgarian post stamps;
4. import in the country copies of objects under Article 3, Paragraph 2.

(2) (New, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Where the publishers of printed works as referred to in Article 3, Paragraph 1, Item 1 are individuals, the required copies shall be deposited by the producers.

Quantity of Printed and Other Works Subject to Deposition

(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009)

**Article 6.** (1) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The printed and other works copies shall be deposited in the following quantities:

1. twelve copies of the printed matters in total prints of over 300 copies and from each subsequent publication printed on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria or ordered for printing abroad, with exception of those printed in Braille script for the blind and the relief geographic maps and globes;
2. (repealed, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009);
3. three copies of the printed matters in circulation up to 100 copies and of each subsequent publication printed on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria or ordered for printing abroad, with exception of those printed in Braille script for the blind and the relief geographic maps and globes;
4. three copies of the printed matters printed abroad and imported for distribution in the Republic of Bulgaria in Bulgarian language, or regarding Bulgaria, with exception of those printed in Braille script for the blind and the relief geographic maps and globes;
5. three copies of printed matters printed in the Republic of Bulgaria for foreign individuals or corporate bodies for circulation abroad;
6. one copy of the printed matters printed in Braille script for the blind;
7. two copies of the relief geographic maps and globes;
8. one copy of leaflets;
9. one extra copy of paperback printed matters when the circulation of the printed matter is realised both in paperback and hard-cover, as well as of the publications printed on luxury paper or formed as a bibliophile publication;

10. one copy of dissertation and academic rank works;
  11. three copies of the photo publications;
  12. three copies of the sound records;
  13. one copy of the films;
  14. three copies of the productions circulated on film carriers without the films;
  15. three copies of the productions circulated on electronic carriers;
  16. three copies of the orders and medals;
  17. three copies of the coat-of arms, badges, plackets, bank notes and coins;
  18. four copies of the post stamps.
  19. (new, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) one copy of the works in a digital format disseminated on electronic communication networks.
- (2) The printed matters issued simultaneously in several languages shall be submitted in the respective number for each separate language.
- (3) If a printed matter is circulated on an electronic carrier as well, copies of this carrier shall be deposited in the same quantity and by the same order as the required copies of the printed matter.
- (4) (New, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Where a printed work is also disseminated in an electronic format on electronic communication networks, a copy thereof shall be deposited in accordance with the same procedures as applicable with regard to the required copies of the printed work.
- (5) (Renumbered from Paragraph (4), amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) If a printed matter is printed in additional circulation the publisher shall be obliged to inform, within two weeks, the National Library Sts. Cyril and Methodius.

#### Requirements for the deposited printed and other works

(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009)

**Article 7.** (1) The printed matters produced in the Republic of Bulgaria, the audiovisual and electronic documents, sound records and films, subject to deposition under this act, shall contain the following information:

1. (amended, SG No. 87/2010) name, seat, and registered office of the publisher (the name, permanent or current address, if he is an individual), respectively of the producer;
2. place of issuance, respectively of production or creation;
3. name and address of the producer;
4. year of publication (for the magazines also month and serial number, for the newspapers: date and serial number, for periodical collections: serial number), respectively of production or creation;
5. international standard number of the publication, if any.

(2) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The deposited printed and other works shall be accompanied by all stipulated enclosures.

(3) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The deposited printed and other works shall be of perfect quality, identical to the distributed circulation.

(4) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The deposited printed and other works shall be submitted to the recipient together with information about the circulation. The recipient can use this information only for the purposes of the national statistics.

(5) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The deposited printed and other works shall be submitted to the recipient accompanied by documents stipulated by the regulations for the implementation of this act.

(6) (Supplemented, SG No. 87/2010) Responsibility for the availability and reliability of the information under Paragraph 1 shall be borne by the publisher or the producer, respectively.

(7) (New, SG No. 87/2010) Responsibility for the availability of the information under Paragraph 1 and under Article 7a, Paragraph 1 on the periodical printed works shall be borne both by the manufacturer and the distributor.

#### Announcement of Information on Media Service Providers

(Title amended, SG No. 94/2018)

**Article 7a.** (New, SG No. 87/2010) (1) The publisher of periodical printed works, manufactured in the Republic of Bulgaria, shall publish, in the first issue for each calendar year, information, identifying its actual owner. In cases when the publisher is a public company under the Public Offering of Securities Act or under its national legislation, information, identifying its actual owner, shall mean specifying the competent authority, having control over the company.

(2) Upon any change in the information under Paragraph 1, the current information shall be published in the first issue of the printed work after the change.

(3) (Amended, SG No. 94/2018) By 30 June every year, media service providers shall submit to the Ministry of Culture a declaration in a standard form endorsed by the Minister of Culture identifying the provider's real owner and containing information as to whether the actual owner holds a public office, as well as about any funding received during the previous calendar year, its amount and grounds, including details of the person who has made the funding. Where the media service provider is a public company under the Public Offering of Securities Act or under its national legislation, information identifying its actual owner shall mean specifying the competent authority having control over the company. Where the person who actually controls the content of the media service and/or the editorial policy is different from the actual owner of the media service provider, that fact shall be stated in the declaration.

(4) (Amended, SG No. 94/2018) The declaration referred to in Paragraph 3 shall indicate all contracts and their value concluded by the media service provider in the course of the preceding calendar year with state or local authorities, or companies with state or municipal participation in the capital, including as a result of public procurement, with political parties, advertising contracts with persons performing activities subject to regulation, as well as those contracts which have received funding from the European Structural and Investment Funds or from other international financial institutions and donors.

(5) (Amended, SG No. 94/2018) The declaration referred to in Paragraph 3 shall be submitted by filling in an electronic form on the website of the Ministry of Culture in compliance with the Electronic Document and Electronic Trust Services Act. A declaration not including the information under Paragraphs 3 and 4 shall be considered unsubmitted.

(6) (Amended, SG No. 94/2018) Within the time-limit set in Paragraph 3, the declaration shall also be filed with the Registry Agency and shall be subject to announcement in the respective register under Article 3, Paragraph 1 of the Commercial Register and Register of Non-Profit Legal Persons Act.

(7) (New, SG No. 94/2018) Within 7 days after a change of its actual owner has occurred, the media service provider shall declare the change and indicate whether the actual owner holds a public office.

(8) (New, SG No. 94/2018) The media service provider shall publish actual information about its real owner on its website.

#### Announcement of Information about the Distributors of Periodical Printed Works

**Article 7b.** (New, SG No. 94/2018) (1) By 30 June every year, the distributor of periodical printed works shall submit to the Ministry of Culture a declaration in a standard form endorsed by the Minister of Culture identifying its real owner, as well as the number of retail outlets the distributor uses in its commercial activities to sell periodical printed works. Where the distributor is a public company within the meaning given by the Public Offering of Securities Act or under its national legislation, information identifying its actual owner shall mean specifying the competent institution exerting control over the company.

(2) Within 7 days after a change of its actual owner has occurred, the distributor shall declare the change.

(3) The declaration referred to in Paragraph 1 shall be submitted by filling in an electronic form on the website of the Ministry of Culture in compliance with the Electronic Document and Electronic Trust Services Act. A declaration not including the information under Paragraph 1 shall be considered unsubmitted.

(4) Where a person uses in the course of commercial operation more than one third of all declared retail outlets to sell periodical printed works in the country, the Ministry of Culture shall notify the Commission for Protection of Competition.

(5) The distributor of periodical printed works shall publish actual information about its real owner on its website as well.

#### Public Register

**Article 7c.** (New, SG No. 94/2018) (1) The Ministry of Culture shall establish and keep a public register of the information referred to in Article 7a, Paragraphs 3, 4 and 7, and in Article 7b, Paragraphs 1 and 2.

(2) (Amended, SG No. 17/2019) The information referred to in Article 7a, Paragraphs 3, 4 and 7, and in Article 7b, Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be published in the register under Paragraph 1 pursuant to the requirements for the protection of personal data. Within 10 days after submitting the declaration, publication shall be performed by officials at the Ministry of Culture in accordance with a procedure established by an ordinance of the Minister of Culture.

#### Term of deposition

**Article 8.** (1) The required copies of printed matters, with exception of the newspapers, shall be deposited within two weeks from the printing of the first lot of the circulation.

(2) The required copies of the newspapers circulated in the capital shall be deposited on the day of their printing, and those of the newspapers circulated in the country within three days from the day of their printing.

(3) The required copies of sound records shall be deposited within two weeks from the conclusion of the recording of the first lot of their circulation.

(4) The required copies of films shall be deposited within two months from their conclusion in the context of Article 63, Paragraph 4 of the Copyright and Neighbouring Right Act, and the remaining objects under Article 3, Paragraph 1, item 1 - 3 - within two weeks from their production.

(5) (Supplemented, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The required copies of the works circulated on electronic carriers and the copies of the works in a digital format disseminated on electronic communication networks shall be deposited within two weeks from their production in a form ready for circulation.

(6) (Amended, SG No. 101/2010) The required copies of dissertations and academic rank works shall be deposited within two weeks after the conferring of the scientific degree or after the appointment to an academic position.

(7) The required copies of orders, medals, coat of arms, badges, plackets, banknotes and coins shall be deposited within two weeks from the production of the first copies.

(8) The required copies of post stamps shall be deposited within two weeks from their issuance.

(9) The required copies of the objects under Article 3, Paragraph 2 shall be deposited within two weeks from their importation.

#### Recipients of the Deposited Printed and Other Works

(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009)

**Article 9.** (Amended, SG No. 42/2009) The deposited printed and other works shall be deposited in:

1. (amended, SG No. 42/2009, supplemented, SG No. 87/2010) the National Library Sts. Cyril and Methodius: the printed matter, dissertations, academic rank works and sound records, as well as the objects under Article 3, Paragraph 1, item 2, 3 (with the exception of films), 4 and 6;

2. (repealed, SG No. 87/2010);

3. the National Film Library: the films;

4. (amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) the National History Museum - the objects under Article 3, Paragraph 1, item 7 and 8;

5. (amended, SG No. 88/2005, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009, SG No. 82/2009, effective 16.10.2009, SG No. 31/2022, SG No. 66/2023, effective 5.08.2023) the Ministry of Transport and Communications - the objects under Article 3, Paragraph 1, item 9;
6. (new, SG No. 57/2007, amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The State Archives Agency - the items under Article 3, paragraph 1, items 1 - 6 which have been created using archive documents from the National Archive Stock.

Distribution of the deposited printed copies

**Article 10.** (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The National Library Sts. Cyril and Methodius shall:

1. distribute part of the received required copies among other libraries by an order determined by the regulations for the implementation of this act;
2. work out, promulgate and distribute the national bibliography.

### **Chapter Three**

#### **RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO DEPOSITION**

Copyright and its related rights

**Article 11.** The copyright and its related rights on the works shall be preserved in full in depositing these works.

Rights of the recipients of the deposited printed and other works  
(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009)

**Article 12.** (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The recipients of deposited printed and other works shall have the right:

1. to use them according to the provisions of this act and in compliance with their structural acts;
2. to publish bibliographic information for them and to include it in national and international databases;
3. to carry out the necessary conservation works where necessary.
4. (new, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) to copy works in a digital format disseminated on electronic communication networks onto other storage media where this is requisite for the durable storage thereof.

Obligations of the Recipients of the Deposited Printed and other Works  
(Title amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009)

**Article 13.** (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The recipients of deposited printed and other works shall be obliged:

1. to store them;
2. to affix on them, if technically possible, a seal reading "Deposit" but this shall not regard the post stamps;
3. to publish free of charge the respective bibliographic information in the publications of the national bibliography and in the central catalogues;
4. to include free of charge the bibliographic information related to the deposited objects in national and international reference publications and databases;
5. to use the information regarding the circulation only for the purposes of the national statistics.

Restrictions

**Article 14.** (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Not allowed shall be sale, donation or exchange of deposited printed and other works.

**Article 15.** (New, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) Using deposited printed and other works shall only be allowed to registered readers within the territory of the recipient institution.

**Article 16.** (New, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) The works referred to in Article 3, Paragraph 1, Item 5 shall be used from one workstation not connected to the institution's local network or on a network with a restricted number of users allowed simultaneously.

#### **Chapter Four** **ADMINISTRATIVE PENAL PROVISIONS**

##### Sanctions

**Article 17.** (Renumbered from Article 15, SG No. 42/2009) (1) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009) The persons under Article 5 who do not deposit printed and other works as stipulated in Article 3, Article 6 and/or Article 8 shall be punished by a fine or a proprietary sanction not less than 300 and not exceeding 3000 levs.

(2) (New, SG No. 87/2010) Publishers of periodical printed works, who violate the requirements of Article 7, Paragraph 1, shall be punished by a fine or a proprietary sanction not less than 1000 and not exceeding 3000 levs. Same penalty shall apply also to any persons under Article 7, Paragraph 7, who have manufactured or accepted for distribution, respectively, any periodical printed works, not containing the information under Article 7, Paragraph 1 or under Article 7a, Paragraph 1.

(3) (Renumbered from Paragraph 2, supplemented, SG No. 87/2010) The persons under Article 5 who violate the requirements of Article 7, except the cases under Paragraph 2, shall be punished by a fine or a proprietary sanction of up to 1000 levs.

(4) (Renumbered from Paragraph 3, amended, SG No. 87/2010) The penal provisions imposing the fine or the proprietary sanction under Paragraph 1 or Paragraph 3 shall stipulate a new deadline of deposition.

(5) (Renumbered from Paragraph 4, amended, SG No. 87/2010) For repeated violation under Paragraph 1, 2 or Paragraph 3 or for failure to meet the deadline determined by the penal provisions under Paragraph 4 the fine, respectively the proprietary sanction shall be not less than 3000 and not more than 5000 levs.

(6) (New, SG No. 87/2010, amended, SG No. 94/2018) Any person, who fails to fulfil its obligation under Article 7a, Paragraphs 1 or 2, shall be punished by a fine or a proprietary sanction not less than BGN 1,000 and not exceeding BGN 2,000. Upon repeated violation, the fine or proprietary sanction shall be not less than BGN 3,000 and not exceeding BGN 5,000.

(7) (New, SG No. 94/2018) A person who fails to fulfil an obligation under Article 7a, Paragraphs 3 – 8 or under Article 7b shall be punished by a fine or a proprietary sanction not less than BGN 10,000 and not exceeding BGN 15,000. Upon repeated violation, the fine or the proprietary sanction shall be not less than BGN 20,000 and not exceeding BGN 30,000.

(8) (Renumbered from Paragraph 5, SG No. 87/2010, renumbered from Paragraph 7, SG No. 94/2018) An official who violates the provision of Article 13 shall be fined by not less than BGN 100 and not more than BGN 1,000.

(9) (Amended, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009, renumbered from Paragraph 6, SG No. 87/2010, renumbered from Paragraph 8, SG No. 94/2018) An official who violates the provision of Article 14 - 16 shall be fined by not less than BGN 300 and not more than BGN 3,000.

Establishment of violations, drawing up of penal statements  
and issuance of penal provisions

**Article 18.** (Renumbered from Article 16 - SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) (1) (Amended, SG No. 28/2005, SG No. 88/2005, SG No. 94/2005, SG No. 82/2009, effective 16.10.2009, supplemented, SG No. 94/2018, amended, SG No. 31/2022, SG No. 66/2023, effective 5.08.2023) The acts establishing violations shall be drawn by officials of the Ministry of Culture, the Ministry of Transport and Communications or of the state cultural institutes under Article 9, item 1 - 4. Where the violation is under Article 7a, Paragraphs 3 - 8 or under Article 7b, the statements for establishing the violations shall be drafted by officials of the Ministry of Culture. Where the offender cannot be identified, the Minister of Culture shall request the assistance of bodies with the Ministry of Interior and shall publish information thereof on the website of the Ministry.

(2) (Amended, SG No. 28/2005, SG No. 88/2005, SG No. 94/2005, SG No. 82/2009, effective 16.10.2009, supplemented, SG No. 94/2018, amended, SG No. 31/2022, SG No. 66/2023, effective 5.08.2023) The penal provisions shall be issued by the Minister of Culture, the Minister of Transport and Communications or officials authorised by them. The penal decisions under Article 7a, Paragraphs 3 - 8 and Article 7b shall be issued by the Minister of Culture or by an official authorised by him.

(3) (New, SG No. 87/2010) The acts establishing violations of Article 7, Paragraph 1 and Article 7a, Paragraph 1, for periodical printed works, made by persons under Article 7, Paragraph 7, shall be drawn by officials of the respective municipal administrations, designated by the mayor of the municipality, and the penal provisions shall be issued by the mayor of a municipality or by a person designated thereby.

(4) (New, SG No. 87/2010) All proceeds from fines and proprietary sanctions under Paragraph 3 shall go to the budget of the respective municipality.

(5) (Renumbered from Paragraph 3, amended, SG No. 87/2010) The establishment of the violations, the issuance, the appeal and the implementation of the penal provisions shall be implemented as stipulated in the Administrative Violations and Sanctions Act.

### **ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

#### **§ 1. In the context of this act:**

1. "Required copies" are copies subject to deposition according to this act.
2. "Works" are objects in the context of Article 3 of the Copyright and Neighbouring Rights Act.
3. "Printed matters" are works printed on paper or other carriers by printing or similar means, including by Braille script for the blind.
4. "Sound record" is the result from the fixing on a durable material carrier of a performance of a work or other sequence of sounds in a way allowing their reception and reproduction.
5. "Film" is an audio-visual work designed for showing in cinemas or video shows. The film can be feature film, documentary film, scientific film, animation or educational film.
6. "Publisher" is the individual or corporate body who organises the reproduction of a work and provides for its financing.
7. (New, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) "Producer" shall mean the individual or legal entity producing circulated works for a publisher.
8. (Renumbered from Item 7, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) "Producer" is the individual or corporate body who organises the sound recording or the creation of the film and provides for their financing.
9. (Renumbered from Item 8, SG No. 42/2009, effective 6.07.2009) "Repeated offence" is the offence committed within one year from the enactment of the penal provisions by which the offender has been punished for an offence of the same nature.
10. (New, SG No. 87/2010, amended, SG No. 94/2018) "Beneficial owner" shall have the meaning assigned to it in § 2 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Measures Against Money Laundering Act.
11. (New, SG No. 87/2010) "Periodical printed works" are works, newspapers and magazines, published in successive series, with an interval between the separate issues not longer than 6 months.
12. (New, SG No. 94/2018) "Funding" shall mean any gratuitous receipt of cash or property and/or any other receipt of funds, regardless of the legal form used, beyond revenue from the media service provider's normal operation, as well as all loans and bank credits that have been received.
13. (New, SG No. 94/2018) "Media service" shall have the meaning assigned to it in § 1, item 15 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Election Code.
14. (New, SG No. 94/2018) "Media service provider" shall be the provider within the meaning given by § 1, item 16 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Election Code, including the publisher of periodical printed publications.
15. (New, SG No. 94/2018, amended, SG No. 84/2023, effective 6.10.2023) "Public office" shall be a post within the meaning given by Article 6, Paragraph 1 of the Counter-Corruption Act, as well as



any other office held by an act of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria, the National Assembly, the Council of Ministers or the Prime Minister.

### **TRANSITIONAL AND CONCLUDING PROVISIONS**

§ 2. Item 18 is created in the Corporate Income Tax Act (promulgated, SG No. 115/97; corrected, SG No. 19/98; amended, SG No. 21 and 153/98; SG No. 12, 50, 51, 64, 103, 110 and 111/99; SG No. 105/00) in Article 23, Paragraph 3:

"18. the production cost of the deposited required copies and the expenses related to their shipment according to the Compulsory Deposit of Copies of Printed and Other Works Act."

§ 3. Within one month from the enactment of this act the Council of Ministers shall adopt regulations for its implementation.

§ 4. This act revokes Decree No. 1367 for the Compulsory Deposit of Copies of Printed and Other Works (SG No. 78/76).

§ 5. The fulfilment of this act is assigned to the Council of Ministers.

§ 6. This act shall enter into force on January 1, 2001.

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### **TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

to the Amendment and Supplement Act to the  
Compulsory Deposit of Printed and Other Works Act  
(SG No. 82/2009, effective 16.10.2009)

§ 3. The secondary legislation issued prior to this Act's entry into force shall remain effective, insofar as they do not run counter hereto.

### **TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISION**

to the Amendment and Supplement Act to the  
Compulsory Deposit of Printed and Other Works Act  
(SG No. 87/2010)

§ 7. Publishers of periodical printed works shall submit the statement under Article 7a, Paragraph 3 within one month after this Act's entry into force and shall publish the information under Article 7a, Paragraph 1 in the first issue of the printed work published after the date the statement is submitted.

### **FINAL PROVISIONS**

to the Act to Amend and Supplement to the  
Compulsory Deposit of Printed and Other Works Act  
(SG No. 94/2018)

§ 9. (1) Within a year after this Act has become effective, the Ministry of Culture shall establish the public register under Article 7c, Paragraph 1.

(2) Until the register referred to in Paragraph 1 is established, the declarations under Articles 7a and 7b shall be submitted electronically pursuant to the Electronic Document and Electronic Trust Services Act.

(3) Within a month from the entry into force of this Act, the Minister of Culture shall endorse the standard forms of the declarations referred to in Articles 7a and 7b.

(4) Within a 3-month time limit from the entry into force of this Act, the Minister of Energy shall issue the ordinance under Article 7c, Paragraph 2.

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