UK Online Safety Act: Illegal and harmful content

Type of content	Sub-category	What is it?	Excludes
Illegal content	Priority offence	 Offences relating to terrorism content or child sexual exploitation and abuse (CSEA). Offences relating to (among others specified in the OSA) assisting suicide, threats to kill, fear or provocation of violence, harassment, stirring up hatred on grounds of race, religion or sexual orientation, stalking, putting people in fear of violence, racially or religiously aggravated public order offences, drugs offences, firearms and weapons offences, assisting unlawful immigration, sexual exploitation offences, sexual images offences, proceeds of crime offences, fraud and financial services offences, and related inchoate offences. 	Offences concerning IP infringement, consumer protection, safety/quality of goods, or performance of a service by an unqualified person.
	Priority illegal content	Content that amounts to a priority offence.	
	Other illegal content	Content that amounts to any other offence of which the victim is an individual.	
Content harmful to children (applies to services likely to be accessed by children)	Primary priority content harmful to children	Pornographic content and content that encourages, promotes or provides instructions for suicide, self-harm, or eating disorders/behaviours.	Content the impact of which flows from its potential financial impact, safety/quality of goods featured in the content, or the way in which a service featured in the content may be performed.
	Priority content harmful to children	Bullying content, content that is abusive or incites hatred on grounds of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability or gender reassignment, that encourages/promotes/instructs on serious violence against a person or a challenge/stunt likely to result in serious injury, that depicts serious violence or (in graphic detail) serious injury against a person/animal/fictional creature, or that encourages self-administration of physically harmful substances.	
	Non-designated content harmful to children	Content not mentioned above which presents a material risk of significant harm to an appreciable number of children in the UK.	
Content relevant to adult user empowerment duties (Adult User Content)	Content which encourages, promotes or provides instructions for suicide, self-harm or eating disorders/behaviours, or is abusive or incites hatred on grounds of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability or gender reassignment.		
(applies to Category 1 services only)			