

Quarterly Report of Appeals, Complaints and Advice – EE Strict

The BBFC is the regulator of commercial and internet content delivered via the mobile network of EE for its 'Strict' level of mobile content.

In the interest of transparency, the BBFC publishes all of its adjudications in relation to cases reported to it of purported underblocking or overblocking, along with requests for advice on whether particular content should go behind parental controls or adult filters.

We keep this list updated as and when new cases are reported to us and publish updates every three months.

In all cases, the BBFC conveys its adjudication to (i) the complainant, appellant or person or body seeking advice; and (ii) the mobile network operator EE.

In the following cases, the adjudications represent an assessment of the content according to the terms of the BBFC's EE Strict Classification Framework. Any subsequent changes to content have therefore not been viewed by the BBFC, although we reserve the right to change our adjudication should altered content be brought to our attention subsequently.

All websites that the BBFC would classify 18 or R18, or refuse to classify, would be automatically considered unsuitable for the EE Strict Classification Framework. Further information on the original Quarterly Report adjudications are available on the BBFC's website [here](#).

January 2024

16 January 2024

Website

www.jerkay.com

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website offering users the opportunity to chat with strangers using text and video online, with an emphasis on connecting homosexual/ bisexual men. The site does not require users to register, but its Terms of Service state that users should be at least 18 years old. The website contains text inviting users to perform unsimulated sexual acts on camera during online interactions with others. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

19 January 2024

Website

www.thebushcraftstore.co.uk

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to an online retailer that sells a wide range of bushcraft, survival, hunting and other outdoor gear, including various knives to aid such activities. Its products are marketed as bushcraft goods and there is no conflation with weaponry. The site claims to implement verification to ensure that customers are of age when purchasing knives. We found no content that we would consider unsuitable for children under 12.

Website

<https://honestmobile.com>

Issue

A representative of the website contacted the BBFC directly to complain that the site was placed behind adult filters, despite containing no material that in the complainant's opinion would cause access to be restricted to adults only.

Adjudication

The URL led to the site of an online mobile telephone service provider for consumers and commercial customers. At the time of sampling, the website appeared to be a wholly innocuous enterprise in which we found no objectionable content that would suggest restriction under the Framework. We found no content that we would consider unsuitable for children under 12.

23 January 2024

Website

<http://www.epicmilitaria.com>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to the site of an online retailer specialising in World War II German, British and American militaria, such as uniforms, boots, helmets, badges, insignia and other assorted equipment. Although the website does sell replica weapons of the period, customers are asked to provide proof that they are aged 18 or over in order to purchase these; furthermore, these items are not marketed as functional weapons in any way, nor did they seem to be promoted in a disproportionate way to the many

other items available for purchase on the website. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<http://www.flingster.com/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to the homepage of a site which offers users the opportunity to chat with strangers using text and video online for sexual/ online dating purposes. The website tells users it offers a new way to 'casually date online' and the names of the different chatrooms available have strongly sexual connotations (for example, 'sex chat', 'dirty chat'). The website's Terms of Service state that users should be at least 18 years old. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

23 January 2024

Website

<http://biloflooring.co.uk>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to the homepage of a London-based company which produces and installs a range of hardwood flooring for domestic and commercial properties. We found no content that we would consider unsuitable for children under 12.

30 January 2024

Website

www.jewelswingfield.com

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to the homepage of an individual offering a range of services along the lines of spiritual healing, therapy (for individuals and couples), shamanism and similar, all with a strong emphasis on the importance of the natural world on people's sense of wellbeing. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<https://shorks.gay>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The url led to the landing page of a ‘fediverse’ network, which allows interaction between certain different social network platforms and for users to post messages on the website. There appears to be a system of moderation in place on this website and its Terms of Service encourage responsible use. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

31 January 2024

Website

www.leaforganics.co.uk

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website retailing a range of CBD based products which it markets as health and wellness supplements. The website reinforced in text that none of its products contained any psychoactive substances and that they contain “virtually no traceable amounts of THC.” We found no heavy reliance on imagery or content related to illegal misuse. The CBD food products on sale on the website are listed on the Food Standards Agency (FSA) website as having credible applications for authorisation as ‘novel foods’. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

February 2024

16 February 2024

Website

<https://skysprouts.co.uk>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to the home page of an online retailer specialising in various organic seeds, microgreen seeds, fresh seed sprouts and germination equipment. We found no content that we would consider unsuitable for children under 12.

29 February 2024

Website

www.care2.com

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to an online enterprise which facilitates the publishing of petitions for various social justice causes, and enables permission-based outreach work for not-for-profits and brands. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

March 2024

12 March 2024

Website

<http://mp4moviez.cl/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which contained links to a variety of Hindi-language films and content which it claimed can be downloaded for free. These included pornographic films, which were displayed prominently on the website. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<http://nhentaiyaoi.net>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which displays and contains links to 'hentai' pornographic manga comic images. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<https://acgmhs.com/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which displays and contains links to 'hentai' pornographic manga comic images. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<http://xayahentai.com/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which displays and contains links to 'hentai' pornographic manga comic images. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<http://twiman.net/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which offered a web service allowing people to extract illustrations - predominately from manga comics or in the manga style - from images posted on Twitter, then view and search them. Explicit images were obscured but the site undertakes to make them accessible for those with log-in accounts on the website; these accounts appear to be unrestricted by age. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

15 March 2024

Website

livemovie.org

Issue

A member of the public contacted the BBFC to complain that no filters had been applied despite material that in the complainant's opinion justified restriction to adults only.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website containing links to a variety of pornographic films and content which was seemingly available to watch and download for free. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

4xmovie.net

Issue

A member of the public contacted the BBFC to complain that no filters had been applied despite material that in the complainant's opinion justified restriction to adults only.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website containing links to a variety of pornographic films and content which was seemingly available to watch and download for free. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<https://ww2.putlocker.onl/movie-tags/adult-movies>

Issue

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Adjudication

The URL led to a website containing links to a variety of pornographic films and content which was seemingly available to watch and download for free. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

<https://xxx.123movies.online/xxx/?xxx>

Issue

A member of the public contacted the BBFC to complain that no filters had been applied despite material that in the complainant's opinion justified restriction to adults only.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website containing links to a variety of pornographic films and content which was seemingly available to watch and download for free. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

26 March 2024

Website

<https://www.fanbox.cc/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website allowing creators of manga-style artwork to build and manage their own subscription-based fan communities. It lets fans pay to access this artwork and also, potentially, to message the creators. The site undertakes to make 'R18' images available for those with log-in accounts on the website; these accounts appear to be unrestricted by age. It is also possible to access strong sexual imagery with no log-in. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

furaffinity.net

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which appears to be an online community of art creators with a focus on anthropomorphised animal, or otherwise 'furry', characters. Some of this material is strongly sexualised, with pornographic and BDSM imagery easily searchable without a log-in account. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

Website

inkbunny.net

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URL led to a website which appears to be an online community of art creators with a focus on anthropomorphised animal, or otherwise 'furry', characters. Some of this material is strongly sexualised, with pornographic and BDSM imagery easily searchable without a log-in account. We did not consider the site suitable for children under 12.

28 March 2024

Website

<https://chaturbate.com/> and <http://m.chaturbate.com/>

Issue

A mobile network operator contacted the BBFC for advice about the suitability of the website for people under 18.

Adjudication

The URLs both led to the same website, on which users view and perform unsimulated sexual acts on camera, while engaging in online interactions with others. It is not suitable for children under 12.

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31 March 2024