

Quarterly Report of Appeals, Complaints and Advice

The BBFC is the regulator of commercial and internet content delivered via the mobile networks of EE, O2, Three and Vodafone.

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; (ii) Mobile UK; and (iii) the relevant mobile network operator(s).

The adjudication that a website contains no material that we would classify 18 does not necessarily mean that we believe it is suitable for younger children.

In the following cases, the adjudications represent an assessment of the content according to the dates listed below. 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.

May 2017

5 May 2017

Website

saucyjena.com

Issue

The website owner contacted the BBFC to complain that the site was blocked by adult filters despite, in the complainant's view, containing no material that would restrict it to access by adults only.

Adjudication

The BBFC viewed the website on 5 May 2017.

We noted that it was a site containing picture galleries, blogs and links to third party websites, and focussed on the self-expression of the website owner. Although some of the images in the galleries featured an individual in suggestive poses, there was no nudity and we did not consider the primary purpose of the images to be sexual arousal. There were also references to STDs in a blog, but these appeared to be in the context of promoting sexual health awareness. We also noted a dead link to a website loveandfetish.com. We found no content on the site that we would classify 18.

June 2017

8 June 2017

Website

notsoblond.com

Issue

A member of the public contacted the BBFC to complain that the site was blocked by adult filters despite, in the complainant's view, containing no material that would restrict it to access by adults only.

Adjudication

The BBFC viewed the website on 8 June 2017.

We noted that it was a site offering business consultancy services with brief descriptions of the services available, a short biography of the site owner, and email and telephone contact details. As such, we found no content which we would classify 18.

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30 June 2017