

Brexit Overview

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The precise impact of Brexit on competition law and merger control depends upon the acceptance of a withdrawal deal or the result of a no deal. Whatever the outcome after the proposed transition period, any divergence between UK and EU competition law is likely to be evolutionary not revolutionary. We can help you understand the potential issues that any changes will have on your business.

Key Issues

Regulatory divergence

Following Brexit, the UK may gradually diverge from EU competition law.

Merger control

The “one stop shop” notification system to the EU Commission under the EU Merger Regulation will no longer apply and some mergers may need to be notified in both the EU and the UK.

Investigations by competition authorities

The EU Commission and UK Competition and Markets Authority may conduct parallel investigations into UK-EU activity.

Competition litigation

Pursuing litigation in the UK for infringements of EU competition law may become more difficult.



How We Can Help You

Initial planning

We will provide an overview of competition law issues that might affect your business.

Bespoke advice

We can provide tailored advice to address specific issues, for example if you are considering a merger.

Ongoing support

We will provide continuing legal and project management support as the need arises, along with analysis and advice on any legislative and policy changes brought about by Brexit.

Action Points

01**Review your M&A plans**

Review any M&A plans and consider whether these may raise any merger control issues.

02**Keep track of the relevant law**

Make sure you stay on top of competition law developments, legislative changes and Government publications and guidance.

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