

## Clause 12 (Discrimination) Analysis 1 April to 30 June 2022

IPSO will publish information on a quarterly basis where we have received more than ten complaints under Clause 12 of the Editors' Code of Practice about the same issue. The information below gives a brief summary of the types of complaints received and the outcome. It is not intended to be exhaustive and the statistics about the numbers of complaints received are accurate up to the end of the relevant quarter. These statistics do not include any cases still under investigation; cases relating to any non-regulated publications; or cases where IPSO received fewer than 10 complaints.

Headline	Publications	Characteristics/group	Analysis
Over 100 complaints received			
N/A	N/A	N/A	No instances of an article with over 100 complaints received this quarter.
Between 10 and 100 complaints received			
Star Observer columnist is suspended over conduct claims	The Daily Telegraph	Transgender people	Print and online article about a columnist from the Observer newspaper who had been suspended from the paper. The article stated that he had been suspended following allegations over his conduct in the wake of a row about trans rights which complainants said misrepresented the situation. They said that the inaccuracy vilified a vulnerable minority group and fed into a transphobic narrative. No complaint of discrimination against an individual. One complaint is being investigated under Clause 1 (Accuracy).
No place for pacifism in these culture wars	Daily Mail	Transgender people	Comment piece published in print and online which compared Islamist fundamentalists to trans rights extremists and discussed "cancel culture" and extremism. Complainants said that article was transphobic and justified violence. Many said that this would incite hatred and fear towards the trans community and continued a narrative that trans people are a danger to society. Complaints were made by third parties. No complaint of discrimination against an individual.
Addicted to being sad: Teenage girls with invisible illnesses - known as 'Spoonies' - post TikToks of themselves crying or in hospital to generate thousands of likes - as experts raise concerns over internet-induced wave of mass anxiety	Mail Online	Disabled and chronically ill women	Online article about young women with chronic illnesses who post pictures of themselves on social media. Complainants said that the article implied that they were faking their illnesses. Many believed that it would make it harder for people with disabilities and illnesses to be taken seriously. Complainants said the article was ableist, sexist, and ageist. Complaints were made by third parties and were outside IPSO's remit for global jurisdictional reasons because the people featured in the article were based outside the UK.