

Pocket size Code leaflets for all journalists

Pocket size leaflets containing the newspaper and magazine industry's Code of Practice are being sent to editors so that journalists can always carry one with them.

The leaflets with revisions to the Code agreed at the end of last year have been produced by the Society of Editors for the benefit of the industry. Copies will also go to senior politicians and organisations that have regular contact with the media. The society says newspapers and magazines may wish to pass them to complainants. The Press Complaints Commission can only deal with complaints about specific breaches of the Code.

Lord Wakeham, Chairman of the PCC said: "I am delighted that the Society of Editors is repeating its important initiative in producing the Code in credit card format for the use of editors and journalists." Society president Neil Fowler said: "If editors pass copies to their staffs no journalist will have an excuse of not knowing what is in the Code."

Copies of the leaflet are being sent to editors. If extra supplies are required, contact the Society of Editors on 01223 304080 or email society@ukeditors.com.

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