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- One poem or short story (maximum of 10 pages) from an anthology;
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This is only intended as a brief summary of the law, and much may depend on specific circumstances. If in doubt, consult David Gardiner in the Library (ext. 7221).

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### An illustrative list of activities which are likely to constitute 'commercial' and 'noncommercial purposes' under revised UK copyright legislation with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> October 2003

#### Non-commercial

Research in an educational establishment which is not related to any commercial venture.

Employees own private research or study unrelated to any commercial venture.

Research on a genuinely *probono* basis.

Any individual's private research or study unrelated to any commercial venture.

Work done to assist in NHS services.

Work done by University students for their courses, whether full-time/part-time or on day release from an employer.

Work done by University lecturers for their teaching (unless this involves creating commercial 'spin-offs').

Work done in drafting a book, book chapter, or an article for a scholarly journal for which the author will not be paid and will not receive royalties.

Work done in preparation for a conference speech (unless the person is paid over and above expenses for giving the speech).

Work done by a student on a taught course who happens to receive sponsorship by a company & has to work for them after graduation.

Work done by an individual to assist in his/her personal professional development.

# Dependent upon the specific circumstances

Work done by University staff or students as part of research sponsored by a commercial company

- is there a known and identified commercial goal to the research?
- will the research results be used in the commercial development of a product or service ?

#### Commercial

Research undertaken or contracted-out by a commercial company in support of its commercial activities.

Market research or competitor intelligence in all organisations.

Searching for legislation and regulations for a commercial company.

Research whose results will be passed to a commercial company for commercial use.

Work done to assist in private medicine.

Work done by an information broker for clients.

Work done for a spin-off company owned by the University or a charity, even if all profits are covenanted to the University or the charity.

Work done in drafting a book, book chapter, or an article for a scholarly journal for which the author will be paid or receive royalties.

Work done in preparation for a conference speech for which the speaker will be paid, over and above expenses.