



Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

2003 asp 13

PART 17

PATIENT REPRESENTATION ETC.

CHAPTER 3

DETENTION IN CONDITIONS OF EXCESSIVE SECURITY

Other hospitals

269 Order under section 268: further provision

- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) an order is made under section 268(2) of this Act in respect of a ^{F1}... patient;
and
 - (b) the order is not recalled under section 271 of this Act;and whether or not a certificate under section 127(1) (either as enacted or as applied by section 179(1) of this Act) or 224(2) of this Act has effect in relation to the patient.
- (2) If the relevant Health Board fails, during the period specified in the order, to give notice to the Tribunal that the ^{F1}... patient has been transferred to another hospital, there shall be a hearing before the Tribunal.
- (3) Where such a hearing is held, the Tribunal may, if satisfied that [^{F2}the test specified in regulations made under section 271A(2) of this Act is met in relation to the patient], make an order—
 - (a) declaring that the patient is being detained in conditions of excessive security;
and
 - (b) specifying—
 - (i) a period of 28 days; or
 - (ii) such longer period not exceeding 3 months as the Tribunal thinks fit,

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beginning with the day on which the order is made during which the duties under subsections (4) to (6) below shall be performed.

- (4) Where the Tribunal makes an order under subsection (3) above in respect of a relevant patient, the relevant Health Board shall identify a hospital—
- (a) which is not a state hospital;
 - (b) which the Board and the Scottish Ministers, and its managers if they are not the Board, agree is a hospital in which the patient could be detained in conditions that would not involve the patient being subject to a level of security that is excessive in the patient's case; and
 - (c) in which accommodation is available for the patient.
- (5) Where the Tribunal makes an order under subsection (3) above in respect of a patient who is not a relevant patient, the relevant Health Board shall identify a hospital—
- (a) which is not a state hospital;
 - (b) which the Board considers, and its managers if they are not the Board agree, is a hospital in which the patient could be detained in conditions that would not involve the patient being subject to a level of security that is excessive in the patient's case; and
 - (c) in which accommodation is available for the patient.
- (6) Where the Tribunal makes an order under subsection (3) above in respect of a patient, the relevant Health Board shall, as soon as practicable after identifying a hospital under subsection (4) or, as the case may be, (5) above, give notice [^{F3}of the name of the hospital so identified to the managers of the hospital in which the patient is detained].
- (7) Before making an order under subsection (3) above, the Tribunal shall afford the persons mentioned in section 268(10) of this Act the opportunity—
- (a) of making representations (whether orally or in writing); and
 - (b) of leading, or producing, evidence.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in s. 269(1)(2) repealed (16.11.2015) by [Mental Health \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(asp 9\)](#), **ss. 16(3)(a)**, 61(2); S.S.I. 2015/361, art. 2
- F2** Words in s. 269(3) substituted (16.11.2015) by [Mental Health \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(asp 9\)](#), **ss. 16(3)(b)**, 61(2); S.S.I. 2015/361, art. 2
- F3** Words in s. 269(6) substituted (16.11.2015) by [Mental Health \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(asp 9\)](#), **ss. 16(3)(c)**, 61(2); S.S.I. 2015/361, art. 2

Commencement Information

- I1** Part 17 Chapter 3 (ss. 264 - 273) in force 1.5.2006 or such earlier day as the Scottish Ministers may by order appoint, see s. 333(2)
- I2** S. 269 in force at 1.5.2006 or such earlier day as the Scottish Ministers may by order appoint, see s. 333(2)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 64(8A)(8B) inserted by [2015 asp 9 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 65(7) inserted by [2015 asp 9 s. 1\(3\)](#)