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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 6

#### SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO RIGHTS OF ENTRY

##### PART II

##### OTHER RIGHTS OF ENTRY AND RELATED POWERS

###### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 6 Pt. 2 applied (29.3.2017) by [The Glyn Rhonwy Pumped Storage Generating Station Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/330\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 6 para. 8(2)** (with art. 31)

###### *Notice of entry*

- 6 (1) Without prejudice to any power exercisable by virtue of a warrant under this Part of this Schedule, no person shall make an entry into any premises by virtue of any right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies except—
- (a) in an emergency; or
  - (b) at a reasonable time and after the required notice of the intended entry has been given to the occupier of the premises.
- (2) For the purposes of this paragraph the required notice is—
- (a) in the case of the rights and powers conferred by virtue of any of sections 74(4), 84(2) and (3), 86(4) and 170(1)(c) and (3) of this Act, twenty-four hours' notice; and
  - (b) in any other case, seven days' notice.
- (3) For the purposes of the application of this Part of this Schedule to any right or power conferred by section 168 of this Act the reference in sub-paragraph (1) above to an emergency—
- (a) in relation to any entry to premises for the purposes of, or for purposes connected with, the exercise or proposed exercise of any power in relation to a street, includes a reference to any circumstances requiring the carrying out of emergency works within the meaning of Part III of the <sup>M1</sup>New Roads and Street Works Act 1991; and
  - (b) in relation to any other entry to premises, includes a reference to any danger to property and to any interruption of a supply of water provided to any premises by any person and to any interruption of the provision of sewerage services to any premises.
- (4) Until the coming into force of section 52 of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, sub-paragraph (3)(a) above shall have effect as if the reference to Part III of that Act were a reference to the <sup>M2</sup>Public Utilities Street Works Act 1950; but

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nothing in this sub-paragraph shall be taken to prejudice the power of the Secretary of State under that Act of 1991 to make an order bringing that section 52 into force on different days for different purposes (including the purposes of this paragraph).

- (5) For the purposes of the application of this Part of this Schedule to the rights and other powers conferred by section 172 of this Act sub-paragraph (1) above shall have effect as if the power in an emergency to make an entry to any premises otherwise than at a reasonable time and after the required notice were omitted.

#### Marginal Citations

- M1** 1991 c. 22.  
**M2** 1950 c. 39.

#### *Warrant to exercise right or power*

- 7 (1) If it is shown to the satisfaction of a justice of the peace on sworn information in writing—
- (a) that there are reasonable grounds for the exercise in relation to any premises of a right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies; and
  - (b) that one or more of the conditions specified in sub-paragraph (2) below is fulfilled in relation to those premises,
- the justice may by warrant authorise the relevant authority to designate a person who shall be authorised to exercise the right or power in relation to those premises in accordance with the warrant and, if need be, by force.
- (2) The conditions mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(b) above are—
- (a) that the exercise of the right or power in relation to the premises has been refused;
  - (b) that such a refusal is reasonably apprehended;
  - (c) that the premises are unoccupied;
  - (d) that the occupier is temporarily absent from the premises;
  - (e) that the case is one of urgency; or
  - (f) that an application for admission to the premises would defeat the object of the proposed entry.
- (3) A justice of the peace shall not issue a warrant under this Part of this Schedule by virtue only of being satisfied that the exercise of a right or power in relation to any premises has been refused, or that a refusal is reasonably apprehended, unless he is also satisfied—
- (a) that notice of the intention to apply for the warrant has been given to the occupier of the premises; or
  - (b) that the giving of such a notice would defeat the object of the proposed entry.
- (4) For the purposes of the application of this Part of this Schedule to the rights and powers conferred by section 169 of this Act in a case to which subsection (4) of that section applies, a justice of the peace shall not issue a warrant under this Part of this Schedule unless he is satisfied that the Secretary of State has given his authorisation for the purposes of that subsection in relation to that case.
- (5) Every warrant under this Part of this Schedule shall continue in force until the purposes for which the warrant was issued have been fulfilled.

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- C2** Sch. 6 paras. 7-10 applied (23.12.2003) by The United Utilities Water plc (Ullswater) (Drought) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3341), {art. 2}
- C3** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 7 applied (*temp.* from 3.10.1995 to 29.2.1996) by S.I. 1995/2585, **art. 2(1)(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 7 applied (6.12.1995) by S.I. 1995/3179, **art. 2(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 7 applied (17.2.1996) by S.I. 1996/367, **art. 2(4)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 7 applied (*temp.* from 4.4.1996 to 3.10.1996) by S.I. 1996/1079, **art. 2(5)**

*Manner of exercise of right or power*

- 8 A person designated as the person who may exercise any right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies shall produce evidence of his designation and other authority before he exercises the right or power.

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- C4** Sch. 6 paras. 7-10 applied (23.12.2003) by The United Utilities Water plc (Ullswater) (Drought) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3341), {art. 2}
- C5** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 8 applied (*temp.* from 3.10.1995 to 29.2.1996) by S.I. 1995/2585, **art. 2(1)(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 8 applied (6.12.1995) by S.I. 1995/3179, **art. 2(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 8 applied (17.2.1996) by S.I. 1996/367, **art. 2(4)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 8 applied (*temp.* from 4.4.1996 to 3.10.1996) by S.I. 1996/1079, **art. 2(5)**

*Supplementary powers of person making entry etc.*

- 9 A person authorised to enter any premises by virtue of any right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies shall be entitled, subject in the case of a right or power exercisable under a warrant to the terms of the warrant, to take with him on to the premises such other persons and such equipment as may be necessary.

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- C6** Sch. 6 paras. 7-10 applied (23.12.2003) by The United Utilities Water plc (Ullswater) (Drought) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3341), {art. 2}
- C7** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 9 applied (*temp.* from 3.10.1995 to 29.2.1996) by S.I. 1995/2585, **art. 2(1)(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 9 applied (6.12.1995) by S.I. 1995/3179, **art. 2(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 9 applied (17.2.1996) by S.I. 1996/367, **art. 2(4)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 9 applied (*temp.* from 4.4.1996 to 3.10.1996) by S.I. 1996/1079, **art. 2(5)**

*Duty to secure premises*

- 10 A person who enters any premises in the exercise of any right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies shall leave the premises as effectually secured against trespassers as he found them.

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- C8** Sch. 6 paras. 7-10 applied (23.12.2003) by The United Utilities Water plc (Ullswater) (Drought) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3341), {art. 2}

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- C9** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 10 applied (*temp.* from 3.10.1995 to 29.2.1996) by S.I. 1995/2585, **art. 2(1)(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 10 applied (6.12.1995) by S.I. 1995/3179, **art. 2(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 10 applied (17.2.1996) by S.I. 1996/367, **art. 2(4)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 10 applied (*temp.* from 4.4.1996 to 3.10.1996) by S.I. 1996/1079, **art. 2(5)**

### *Compensation*

- 11 (1) Where any person exercises any right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies, it shall be the duty of the relevant authority to make full compensation to any person who has sustained loss or damage by reason of—
- (a) the exercise by the designated person of that right or power or of any power to take any person or equipment with him when entering the premises in relation to which the right or power is exercised; or
  - (b) the performance of, or failure of the designated person to perform, the duty imposed by paragraph 10 above.
- (2) Compensation shall not be payable by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) above in respect of any loss or damage if the loss or damage—
- (a) is attributable to the default of the person who sustained it; or
  - (b) is loss or damage in respect of which compensation is payable by virtue of any other provision of this Act.
- (3) Any dispute as to a person's entitlement to compensation under this paragraph or as to the amount of any such compensation, shall be referred to the arbitration of a single arbitrator appointed by agreement between the relevant authority and the person who claims to have sustained the loss or damage or, in default of agreement—
- (a) by the [<sup>F1</sup>Upper Tribunal] where the relevant authority is the Secretary of State; and
  - (b) by the Secretary of State, in any other case.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in Sch. 6 para. 11(3)(a) substituted (1.6.2009) by The Transfer of Tribunal Functions (Lands Tribunal and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order (S.I. 2009/1307), art. 5(1)(2), {Sch. 1 para. 221} (with Sch. 5)

### *Obstruction of person exercising right or power*

- 12 A person who intentionally obstructs another person acting in the exercise of any right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C10** Sch. 6 para. 12 applied (23.12.2003) by The United Utilities Water plc (Ullswater) (Drought) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3341), {art. 2}
- C11** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 12 applied (*temp.* from 3.10.1995 to 29.2.1996) by S.I. 1995/2585, **art. 2(1)(5)**  
 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 12 applied (6.12.1995) by S.I. 1995/3179, **art. 2(5)**  
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Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 12 applied (*temp.* from 4.4.1996 to 3.10.1996) by S.I. 1996/1079, **art. 2(5)**

### *Interpretation of Part II*

- 13 (1) In this Part of this Schedule “relevant authority”, in relation to a right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies, means the person who, by virtue of—
- (a) the provision by which the right or power is conferred; or
  - (b) (except in paragraph 7 above) the warrant,
- is entitled to designate the person by whom the right or power may be exercised.
- (2) References in this Part of this Schedule, except in paragraph 7 above, to a right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies include references to a right or power exercisable by virtue of a warrant under this Part of this Schedule.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraphs 10 and 11 above a person enters any premises by virtue of a right or power to which this Part of this Schedule applies notwithstanding that he has failed (whether by virtue of the waiver of the requirement by the occupier of the premises or otherwise) to comply with-
- (a) any requirement to enter those premises at a reasonable time or after giving notice of his intended entry; or
  - (b) the requirement imposed by paragraph 8 above.

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- C12** Sch. 6 para. 13 applied (23.12.2003) by The United Utilities Water plc (Ullswater) (Drought) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3341), {art. 2}
- C13** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 13 applied (*temp.* from 3.10.1995 to 29.2.1996) by S.I. 1995/2585, **art. 2(1)(5)**  
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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):

- Pt. 3 Ch. 2B inserted by [2014 c. 21 s. 12](#)
- s. 17(2)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2019/93, Sch. 1 para. 4(4)(b) (as substituted) by S.I. [2019/1245 reg. 21](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 17A(c) repealed by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 4\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 17A(d) repealed by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 4\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 17A(2)(ba) and word inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 4\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 17R(2)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2019/93, Sch. 1 para. 4(7)(b) (as substituted) by S.I. [2019/1245 reg. 21](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 17AA(1)(ba)(bb) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 5\(2\)](#)
- s. 17BA(5A) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 7\(3\)](#)
- s. 17HA(9)(b)(ia) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 16\(2\)](#)
- s. 23(2AA) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 7 para. 35\(4\)](#)
- s. 23(8)(9) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 7 para. 35\(10\)](#)
- s. 39E-39H inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 78\(7\)](#)
- s. 87(7C)-(7F) inserted by [2012 c. 7 s. 35\(6\)](#)
- s. 94A-94E inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 79](#)
- s. 95ZA(6) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 39\(4\)](#)
- s. 96ZA(2)-(5) substituted for s. 96ZA(2) by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 40](#)
- s. 106B(3A) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 7 para. 94](#)
- s. 117G(2)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 41\(2\)](#)
- s. 117G(4)-(4D) substituted for s. 117(4) by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 41\(3\)](#)
- s. 117G(6)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 41\(4\)](#)
- s. 117K(2)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 42\(2\)](#)
- s. 117K(5)(5A) substituted for s. 117(5) by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 42\(3\)](#)
- s. 117L(9) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 43\(3\)](#)
- s. 117N(4)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 45\(2\)](#)
- s. 117N(8)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 45\(3\)](#)
- s. 117N(11)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 45\(4\)](#)
- s. 117O(4)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 46\(2\)](#)
- s. 117O(8)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 46\(3\)](#)
- s. 117S(7)-(9) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 49](#)
- s. 119(2)(ab) inserted by [2003 c. 37 s. 89\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 119(3) inserted by [2003 c. 37 s. 89\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 121(1)(ba) inserted by [2003 c. 37 s. 89\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 141DA inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 81](#)
- s. 141DC inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 83](#)
- s. 177K(7)(aa) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 42\(4\)](#)
- s. 207D and cross-heading inserted by [2014 c. 21 s. 39](#)
- s. 207D(5) word repealed by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 52\(a\)](#)
- s. 207D(5) words inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 52\(b\)](#)

- s. 213(1ZA) inserted by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 7 para. 119\(3\)](#)
- s. 213(1ZA) repealed by [2014 c. 21 Sch. 5 para. 53](#)