



# Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984

## 1984 CHAPTER 60

An Act to make further provision in relation to the powers and duties of the police, persons in police detention, criminal evidence, police discipline and complaints against the police; to provide for arrangements for obtaining the views of the community on policing and for a rank of deputy chief constable; to amend the law relating to the Police Federations and Police Forces and Police Cadets in Scotland; and for connected purposes. [31st October 1984]

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** By [Criminal Justice Act 1991 \(c.53, SIF 39:1\)](#), s. 101(1), [Sch. 12 para. 23](#); S.I. 1991/2208, [art. 2\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1](#) it is provided (14.10.1991) that in relation to any time before the commencement of s.70 of that 1991 Act (which came into force on 1.10.1992 by S.I. 1992/333, [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)) references in any enactment amended by that 1991 Act, to youth courts shall be construed as references to juvenile courts.
- C2** Act extended (15.4.1992) by S.I. 1992/975, [art. 16\(13\)](#).  
Act extended (5.6.1992) by S.I. 1992/1302, [art. 17\(13\)](#).  
Act extended (2.8.1993) by S.I. 1993/1813, [art. 6](#), [Sch. 3 para. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#); and Act extended by the said S.I. 1993/1813, [art. 6](#), [Sch. 3 para. 2](#) as incorporated (with modifications) (1.12.1997) by S.I. 1994/1405, [art. 6](#), [Sch. 3 para. 3](#).  
Act amended (17.5.1996) by S.I. 1996/1296, [art. 16\(7\)\(a\)](#).  
Act amended (16.6.2000) by S.I. 2000/1556, [art. 17\(12\)](#).  
Act extended (*temp.*) (1.11.1997) by S.I. 1997/2592, [arts. 1\(2\)](#), 12(12).
- C3** Act: power to apply certain provisions (with modifications) conferred (1.10.2002) by [Police Reform Act 2002 \(c. 30\)](#), [ss. 13, 108\(2\)-\(5\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. 3 para. 19\(6\)](#) (with s. 14(1)); S.I. 2002/2306, [art. 4\(e\)](#).  
Act: power to apply certain provisions (with modifications) conferred (8.11.2006) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\)](#), [ss. 373\(6\)](#), 383 (with s. 385).
- C4** Act applied (14.2.2000) by 1971 c. 77, [s. 28D\(5\)](#) (as inserted (14.2.2000) by 1999 c. 33, [ss. 131](#); S.I. 2000/168, [art. 2](#), [Sch.](#))

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- Act applied (with modifications) (14.10.2002) by The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Department of Trade and Industry Investigations) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2326), **art. 3(1)(b)**
- C5** Act modified (11.2.2005) by The Ivory Coast (United Nations Sanctions) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/253), **art. 9(12)**  
Act modified (11.3.2005) by Prevention of Terrorism Act 2005 (c. 2), **s. 5(7)(b)(i)**  
Act applied (with modifications) (1.4.2006) by The Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (Application and Modification of Certain Enactments to Designated Staff of SOCA) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/987), **art. 3, Sch. 1**
- C6** Act: certain provisions applied (with modifications) (1.12.2007) by The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Application to Revenue and Customs) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/3175), **arts. 3-19, Schs. 1, 2** (as amended (19.3.2010) by (S.I. 2010/360), {art. 2})
- C7** Act: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (21.7.2009) by Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Act 2009 (c. 11), **s. 23** (with s. 36(4))
- C8** Act applied (with modifications) (25.6.2013) by The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Application to immigration officers and designated customs officials in England and Wales) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1542), **art. 12(5)-(8)**
- C9** Act applied (with modifications) (25.6.2013) by The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Application to immigration officers and designated customs officials in England and Wales) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1542), **art. 3(5)(6)**
- C10** Act modified (13.5.2014) by Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), **ss. 176(6), 185(1)** (with ss. 8, 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93, 176(8)); S.I. 2014/949, art. 3, Sch. para. 17
- C11** Act applied (with modifications) (4.8.2014) by The Crime and Courts Act 2013 (Application and Modification of Certain Enactments) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/1704), art. 3, **Sch. 1**
- C12** Act applied in part (with modifications) (E.W.) (1.4.2018) by The Welsh Revenue Authority (Powers to Investigate Criminal Offences) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/400), regs. 1(2), **3(3)(4)**

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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. 17(1)(cza) inserted by [2021 c. 17 s. 26\(9\)](#)
- s. 47A(3A) substituted by [2022 c. 35 Sch. 2 para. 7](#)
- s. 61(6BA) inserted by [2008 c. 28 s. 10\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 omitted (14.12.2011) by virtue of 2011 c. 23, ss. 29, 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5(3))
- s. 63(3D) inserted by [2008 c. 28 s. 10\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 omitted (14.12.2011) by virtue of 2011 c. 23, ss. 29, 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5(3))
- s. 64(1AA) inserted by [2008 c. 28 s. 10\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 omitted (14.12.2011) by virtue of 2011 c. 23, ss. 29, 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5(3))
- s. 64A(1B)(cb) inserted by [2022 c. 32 Sch. 11 para. 18\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1A para. 21A added by 1995 c. 32, s. 8B(1) (as inserted) by [2006 c. 12 Sch. 3 para. 13](#)