



Football Spectators Act 1989

1989 CHAPTER 37

PART II

FOOTBALL MATCHES OUTSIDE ENGLAND AND WALES

Preliminary

14 Scope and interpretation of this Part

- (1) This Part of this Act applies in relation to football matches played in any country outside England and Wales which are designated football matches and the following provisions have effect for its interpretation.
- (2) “Designated football match” means any such match of a description for the time being designated for the purposes of this Part by order made by the Secretary of State or a particular such match so designated.
- (3) The power to make orders under subsection (2) above is exercisable by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (4) A “restriction order” means an order of a court under section 15 or 22 below requiring the person to whom the order applies to report to a police station on the occasion of designated football matches.
- (5) The offences “relevant” for the making by a court of a restriction order are those specified in Schedule 1 to this Act as relevant offences (with or, as the case may be, without a declaration of relevance).
- (6) In the application of Schedule 1 to this Act for the purposes of this Part of this Act the references in that Schedule to designated football matches are references to football matches designated for the purposes of Part I of this Act except that in paragraphs (h), (i), (k) and (l) they include references to football matches designated under subsection (2) above; and section 1(8) above applies for the interpretation of references to periods relevant to designated football matches.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (7) The “enforcing authority” means such organisation established by the Secretary of State under section 41 of the Police Act 1964 (common services organisations) as the Secretary of State designates for the purposes of this Part of this Act by order made by statutory instrument.
- (8) An order under subsection (2) above may, in relation to any description of football match or any particular football match specified in the order, direct that reporting is obligatory for all persons subject to restriction orders or that reporting is obligatory only for such persons subject to restriction orders as are required to report under section 19(3)(b) below.
- (9) In this Part of this Act—
- “country” includes territory;
 - “declaration of relevance”, in relation to an offence, means a declaration that the offence related to football matches; and
 - “imprisonment” includes any form of detention (or, in the case of a person under twenty-one years of age sentenced to custody for life, custody),
- “prison” includes any place where a person is detained or in such custody and “discharge” from prison does not include temporary discharge.