



# Environmental Protection Act 1990

## 1990 CHAPTER 43

### PART VI **U.K.**

#### GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS

##### *Enforcement powers and offences*

#### **121 Power of Secretary of State to remedy harm. **U.K.****

- (1) Where the commission of an offence under section 118(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) above causes any harm which it is possible to remedy, the Secretary of State may, subject to subsection (2) below—
  - (a) arrange for any reasonable steps to be taken towards remedying the harm; and
  - (b) recover the cost of taking those steps from any person convicted of that offence.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall not exercise his powers under this section, where any of the steps are to be taken on or will affect land in the occupation of any person other than a person convicted of the offence in question, except with the permission of that person.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** S. 121 wholly in force at 1.2.1993 see s. 164(2)(3) and S.I. 1992/3253, art. 3.

**Changes to legislation:**

Environmental Protection Act 1990, Section 121 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 19 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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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. 30(4A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(2\)](#)
- s. 33ZB(10A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 69\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 34ZB(8A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 s. 69\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 45A-45AZG substituted for s. 45A by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(4\)](#)
- s. 46(2)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2021 c. 30 s. 57\(5\)](#)
- s. 106A inserted by [2023 c. 6 s. 41\(2\)](#)
- s. 161(2AA)(2AB) inserted by [2016 anaw 3 s. 69\(4\)](#)