



Water Resources Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 57

PART VIII

INFORMATION PROVISIONS

Provision and acquisition of information etc.

202 Information and assistance required in connection with the control of pollution.

- (1) It shall be the duty of the [^{F1}appropriate agency], if and so far as it is requested to do so by either of the Ministers, to give him all such advice and assistance as appears to it to be appropriate for facilitating the carrying out by him of his functions under the water pollution provisions of this Act.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) below, either of the Ministers or the [^{F1}appropriate agency] may serve on any person a notice requiring that person to furnish him or, as the case may be, it, within a period or at times specified in the notice and in a form and manner so specified, with such information as is reasonably required by the the Minister in question or by the [^{F1}appropriate agency] for the purpose of carrying out any of his or, as the case may be, its functions under the water pollution provisions of this Act.
- (3) Each of the Ministers shall have power by regulations to make provision for restricting the information which may be required under subsection (2) above and for determining the form in which the information is to be so required.
- (4) A person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with the requirements of a notice served on him under this section shall be guilty of an offence and [^{F2}liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum;
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or to both.]

^{F3}(5)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Water Resources Act 1991, Section 202. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in ss. 199-203 substituted (1.4.2013) by [The Natural Resources Body for Wales \(Functions\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/755\)](#), [art. 1\(2\)](#), **Sch. 2 para. 299** (with Sch. 7)
- F2** Words in s. 202(4) substituted (1.4.1996) by [1995 c. 25](#), s. 120(1), **Sch. 22 para. 172(1)** (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117); [S.I. 1996/186](#), **art. 3** (with art. 4)
- F3** S. 202(5) repealed (1.4.1996) by [1995 c. 25](#), s. 120(1)(3), Sch. 22 para. 172(2), **Sch. 24** (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117); [S.I. 1996/186](#), **art. 3** (with art. 4)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 202 amended (27.8.1993) by [1993 c. 12](#), ss. 40, 51(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I para. 9** (with s. 46).
- C2** S. 202 modified (2.1.2004) by [The Water Environment \(Water Framework Directive\) \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3242\)](#), regs. 1(a), **19(2)** (with reg. 1(c))
- C3** S. 202 modified by [S.I. 2010/675](#), Sch. 23 Pt. 8 para. 3 Table 9 (as substituted (1.10.2011) by [The Environmental Permitting \(England and Wales\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2043\)](#)), reg. 1(b), **Sch. 1**)
- C4** S. 202 modified (1.1.2017) by [The Environmental Permitting \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/1154\)](#), reg. 1(1), Sch. 23 Pt. 7 paras. 1(3), **2** (with regs. 1(3), 77-79, Sch. 4)
- C5** S. 202 modified (10.4.2017) by [The Water Environment \(Water Framework Directive\) \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2017 \(S.I. 2017/407\)](#), regs. 1(a), **35(2)** (with reg. 1(c))
- C6** S. 202(2) modified (6.1.1997) by [S.I. 1996/3001](#), **reg. 7(3)**
 S. 202(2) modified (12.6.1997) by [S.I. 1997/1331](#), **reg. 6(3)**
 S. 202(2) modified (12.6.1997) by [S.I. 1997/1332](#), **reg. 6(3)**
- C7** S. 202(2) modified (24.3.2012) by [The Bathing Water Regulations 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1097\)](#), regs. 1(3) (e), **16(5)**

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