

# Chemical Weapons Act 1996

#### **1996 CHAPTER 6**

Information and records

## 21 Information for purposes of Act.

- (1) If the Secretary of State has grounds to suspect that a person is committing or has committed an offence under this Act the Secretary of State may by notice served on the person require him to give in such form as is specified in the notice, and within such reasonable period as is so specified, such information as—
  - (a) the Secretary of State has reasonable cause to believe will help to establish whether the person is committing or has committed such an offence, and
  - (b) is specified in the notice.
- (2) A person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with a notice served on him under subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine of an amount not exceeding the statutory maximum;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.
- (3) A person on whom a notice is served under subsection (1) and who knowingly makes a false or misleading statement in response to it is guilty of an offence and liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine of an amount not exceeding the statutory maximum;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine or to both.

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

C1 S. 21 extended (with modifications) (Jersey) (21.12.1998) by S.I. 1998/2565, art. 4, Sch.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Chemical Weapons Act 1996, Section 21.