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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 3

#### HANDLING OF COMPLAINTS AND CONDUCT MATTERS ETC.

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

- C1** Sch. 3 modified (15.12.2017) by S.I. 2012/1204, **Sch. Pt. 1** (as inserted by The Police (Conduct, Complaints and Misconduct and Appeal Tribunal) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (S.I. 2017/1134), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 2))
- C1** Sch. 3 applied (with modifications) by 1984 c. 55, **ss. 56A-56C** (as inserted (6.4.2023 for specified purposes) by Building Safety Act 2022 (c. 30), **ss. 53(1)**, 170(4)(c); S.I. 2023/362, **reg. 3(1)(v)**)

### PART 3

#### INVESTIGATIONS AND SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS

##### *[<sup>F1</sup>Investigations by the [<sup>F2</sup>Director General]: power of retention*

##### Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 3 paras. 19ZE-19ZH and cross-headings inserted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), **ss.20(1)**, 183(1)(5)(e)
- F2** Words in Sch. 3 substituted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 8.1.2018 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), **Sch. 9 para. 56(2)** (with Sch. 9 para. 56(6)); S.I. 2017/1249, reg. 2 (with reg. 3)

- 19ZG (1) This paragraph applies to anything which, for the purposes of an investigation in accordance with paragraph 19—
- (a) has been seized under paragraph 19ZE(2) or taken away following a requirement imposed under paragraph 19ZE(3), or
  - (b) is otherwise lawfully in the possession of the [<sup>F2</sup>Director General].
- (2) Anything to which this paragraph applies may be retained by the [<sup>F2</sup>Director General] for as long as is necessary in all the circumstances, including (amongst other things) so that it may be used as evidence in criminal or disciplinary proceedings or in an inquest held under Part 1 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (2), the retention of anything to which this paragraph applies is not necessary if having a photograph or copy of the thing would suffice (and the [<sup>F2</sup>Director General] may arrange for the thing to be photographed or copied before it ceases to be retained.)

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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. 26F inserted by [2023 c. 41 Sch. 13 para. 6](#)
- s. 28A(6A)(6B) inserted by [2023 c. 41 s. 45\(2\)](#)