



# Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

## 2005 CHAPTER 15

### PART 5

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### *Royal Parks etc.*

#### **161 Abolition of Royal Parks Constabulary**

- (1) The Royal Parks Constabulary is abolished.
- (2) Every relevant person shall cease to be a park constable on the appointed day.
- (3) Subsection (2) is not to be taken as terminating the Crown employment of any relevant person.
- (4) In this section, section 162 and Schedule 13—
  - “appointed day” means such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint for the purposes of this section,
  - “Crown employment” has the same meaning as in the Employment Rights Act 1996 (c. 18), and
  - “relevant person” means a person who immediately before the appointed day is serving as a park constable with the Royal Parks Constabulary.
- (5) Schedule 13 (which provides for transfers to the Metropolitan Police Authority and makes amendments) has effect.

#### **Commencement Information**

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| <b>I1</b> | <a href="#">S. 161(1)</a> in force at 8.5.2006 by <a href="#">S.I. 2006/1085</a> , <a href="#">art. 2(a)</a>                                       |
| <b>I2</b> | <a href="#">S. 161(2)-(5)</a> in force at 1.7.2005 for specified purposes by <a href="#">S.I. 2005/1521</a> , <a href="#">art. 3(1)(x)</a>         |
| <b>I3</b> | <a href="#">S. 161(2)-(4)</a> in force at 1.8.2005 in so far as not already in force by <a href="#">S.I. 2005/2026</a> , <a href="#">art. 2(e)</a> |

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**14** S. 161(5) in force at 8.5.2006 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2006/1085, **art. 2(a)**

## **162 Regulation of specified parks**

- (1) From the appointed day the Parks Regulation Act 1872 (c. 15) does not apply to the specified parks.
- (2) But from the appointed day section 2 of the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Act 1926 (c. 36) applies in relation to the specified parks in the same way as it applies in relation to parks to which the Parks Regulation Act 1872 applies.
- (3) The Secretary of State must ensure that copies of any regulations made under section 2 of the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Act 1926 (c. 36) which are in force in relation to a specified park are displayed in a suitable position in that park.
- (4) In this section “specified park” means a park, garden, recreation ground, open space or other land in the metropolitan police district—
  - (a) which is specified in an order made by the Secretary of State before the appointed day, and
  - (b) to which the Parks Regulation Act 1872 (c. 15) then applied by virtue of section 1 of the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Act 1926.

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### **Commencement Information**

**15** S. 162(1)(2)(4) in force at 1.7.2005 by S.I. 2005/1521, **art. 3(1)(z)**

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**Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005**

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2006/2182 art. 3](#) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2006/1871