



Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 47

[^{F1}Provision of information to the police [^{F2}etc.]]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 50A and cross-heading inserted (30.11.2009) by [Policing and Crime Act 2009 \(c. 26\), ss. 88, 116\(1\); S.I. 2009/3096, art. 2\(a\)](#)
- F2** Word in s. 50A cross-heading inserted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), s. 120, Sch. 9 para. 65\(4\)](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(aa)(ii)

50A Provision of information to the police [^{F3}etc.]

- (1) [^{F4}DBS] may provide any information it has to a chief officer of police for use for any of the following purposes—
- (a) the prevention, detection and investigation of crime;
 - (b) the apprehension and prosecution of offenders.
 - [^{F5}(c) the appointment of persons who are under the direction and control of the chief officer,
 - (d) any prescribed purpose]
- [^{F4}DBS] must, for use for any of the purposes mentioned in subsection (1), provide ^{F6}(1A) to any chief officer of police who has requested it a barred list or information as to whether a particular person is barred.
- (1B) [^{F4}DBS] may, for use for the purposes of the protection of children or vulnerable adults, provide to a relevant authority any information which [^{F4}DBS] reasonably believes to be relevant to that authority.
- (1C) [^{F4}DBS] must, for use for the purposes of the protection of children or vulnerable adults, provide to any relevant authority who has requested it information as to whether a particular person is barred.]

Changes to legislation: Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006, Cross Heading: Provision of information to the police etc. is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 11 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. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes

- (2) The [^{F7} powers conferred by this section do] not limit any other power of [^{F4}DBS] to provide information for any purpose or to any person.]
- [^{F8}(3) In [^{F9}this section], “a chief officer of police” includes—
- (a) the Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland, and
 - (b) the chief constable of [^{F10}the Police Service of Scotland] .]
- [^{F11}(4) In this section “relevant authority” means—
- (a) the Secretary of State exercising functions in relation to prisons, or
 - (b) a provider of probation services (within the meaning given by section 3(6) of the Offender Management Act 2007).]

Textual Amendments

- F3** Word in s. 50A heading inserted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), s. 120, Sch. 9 para. 65\(4\)](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(aa)(ii)
- F4** Word in s. 50A substituted (1.12.2012) by [The Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(Disclosure and Barring Service Transfer of Functions\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/3006\)](#), arts. 1(1), **3(e)** (with Pt. 4)
- F5** S. 50A(1)(c)(d) inserted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), ss. 77\(3\), 120](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(n)
- F6** Ss. 50A(1A)-(1C) inserted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), ss. 77\(4\), 120](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(n)
- F7** Words in s. 50A(2) substituted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), s. 120, Sch. 9 para. 65\(2\)](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(aa)(ii)
- F8** S. 50A(3) inserted (31.3.2010) by [The Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 \(Regulated Activity, Devolution and Miscellaneous Provisions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1154\)](#), arts. 1(1), **12**
- F9** Words in s. 50A(3) substituted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), s. 120, Sch. 9 para. 65\(3\)](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(aa)(ii)
- F10** Words in s. 50A(3)(b) substituted (1.4.2013) by [The Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2012 \(Consequential Provisions and Modifications\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/602\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 53**
- F11** S. 50A(4) inserted (10.9.2012 immediately after the coming into force of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2157)) by [Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 \(c. 9\), ss. 77\(5\), 120](#) (with s. 97); S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(n)

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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. 6(8A)(8B) inserted by [2008 c. 14 Sch. 14 para. 8](#)
- s. 6(8A) word omitted by [S.I. 2016/413 reg. 253\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment comes into force on the day that the amendment to s. 6 of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47) made by para. 8 of Sch. 14 to the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (c. 14) comes into force)
- s. 6(8A) words inserted by [S.I. 2016/413 reg. 253\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment comes into force on the day that the amendment to s. 6 of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47) made by para. 8 of Sch. 14 to the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (c. 14) comes into force)
- s. 13(1A) inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 82\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 13(3A) inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 82\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 13(6) inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 82\(6\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 13(11) substituted by [2009 c. 26 s. 82\(7\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 30(2)(aa)(ab) inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 85\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 30(6A)(6B) inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 85\(6\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 30A30B substituted for s. 30-32 by [2012 c. 9 s. 72\(1\)](#)
- s. 32(3)(aa) inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 86\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 33(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2012 c. 9 s. 72\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 34A-34C inserted by [2009 c. 26 s. 87\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 82-87 repealed (10.9.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 9, s. 120, Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2(bb))
- s. 34ZA inserted by [2012 c. 9 s. 73](#)
- s. 41(4A)-(4C) inserted by [S.I. 2009/1182 Sch. 5 para. 9\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. It comes into force on the coming into force of s. 44(1) of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47). S. 44(1) was repealed without ever being in force on 10.9.2012 by 2012 c. 9, s. 75(6), Sch. 10 Pt. 5; S.I. 2012/2234, art. 2)
- s. 48(2A) inserted by [2012 c. 9 s. 76\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 49(2A) inserted by [2012 c. 9 s. 76\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 56(3)(fa) inserted by [2012 c. 9 Sch. 9 para. 68\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 5A inserted by [2012 c. 9 s. 74\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 11A inserted by [2012 c. 9 s. 74\(3\)](#)

– Sch. 4 para. 1(9B)(ia) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 21\(2\)](#)