



Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007

2007 CHAPTER 6

Powers: supplementary

34 Code of practice

- (1) The Secretary of State may make codes of practice in connection with—
 - (a) the exercise by police officers of a power conferred by this Act, and
 - (b) the seizure and retention of property found by police officers when exercising powers of search conferred by this Act.
- (2) The Secretary of State may make codes of practice in connection with the exercise by members of Her Majesty's forces of a power conferred by this Act.
- (3) Where the Secretary of State proposes to issue a code of practice he shall—
 - (a) publish a draft,
 - (b) consider any representations made to him about the draft, and
 - (c) if he thinks it appropriate, modify the draft in the light of any representations made to him.
- (4) The Secretary of State shall lay a draft of the code before Parliament.
- (5) When the Secretary of State has laid a draft code before Parliament he may bring it into operation by order made by statutory instrument.
- (6) The Secretary of State may revise the whole or any part of a code of practice issued by him and issue the code as revised; and subsections (3) to (5) shall apply to such a revised code as they apply to an original code.
- (7) In this section “police officer” means a member of the Police Service of Northern Ireland or the Police Service of Northern Ireland Reserve.