



Counter-Terrorism Act 2008

2008 CHAPTER 28

PART 4

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Offences in relation to notification

55 Effect of absence abroad

- (1) If a person to whom the notification requirements apply is absent from the United Kingdom for any period the following provisions apply.
- (2) During the period of absence the period for which the notification requirements apply continues to run.
- (3) The period of absence does not affect the obligation under section 47 (initial notification).

This is subject to subsection (4).

- (4) Section 47 does not apply if—
 - (a) the period of absence begins before the end of the period within which notification must be made under that section, and
 - (b) the person's absence results from the person's removal from the United Kingdom.
- (5) [^{F1}Sections 48 and 48A] (notification of changes)—
 - (a) [^{F2}apply] in relation to an event that occurs before the period of absence, but
 - (b) [^{F3}do] not apply in relation to an event that occurs during the period of absence.

Paragraph (a) is subject to subsection (6).

- (6) [^{F4}Sections 48 and 48A do] not apply in relation to an event that occurs before the period of absence if—

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- (a) the period of absence begins before the end of the period within which notification must be made under that section, and
 - (b) the person's absence results from the person's removal from the United Kingdom.
- (7) Section 49 (periodic re-notification) does not apply if [^{F5}the applicable period] referred to in subsection (1) of that section ends during the period of absence.
- (8) Section 53(7) (disregard of period of custody etc) applies in relation to the period of absence as if it referred to any period when the person was—
- (a) remanded in or committed to custody by an order of a court outside the United Kingdom,
 - (b) serving a sentence of imprisonment or detention imposed by such a court,
 - (c) detained in a hospital pursuant to an order of such a court that is equivalent to a hospital order, or
 - (d) subject to a form of detention outside the United Kingdom that is equivalent to detention under the Immigration Acts.
- (9) References in this section and section 56 to a person's removal from the United Kingdom include—
- (a) the person's removal from the United Kingdom in accordance with the Immigration Acts,
 - (b) the person's extradition from the United Kingdom, or
 - (c) the person's transfer from the United Kingdom to another country pursuant to a warrant under section 1 of the Repatriation of Prisoners Act 1984 (c. 47).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 55(5) substituted (12.4.2019) by [Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 27(3), [Sch. 4 para. 49\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- F2** Word in s. 55(5)(a) substituted (12.4.2019) by [Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 27(3), [Sch. 4 para. 49\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- F3** Word in s. 55(5)(b) substituted (12.4.2019) by [Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 27(3), [Sch. 4 para. 49\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- F4** Words in s. 55(6) substituted (12.4.2019) by [Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 27(3), [Sch. 4 para. 49\(3\)](#)
- F5** Words in s. 55(7) substituted (12.4.2019) by [Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 27(3), [Sch. 4 para. 49\(4\)](#)
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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 55 in force at 1.10.2009 by [S.I. 2009/1493](#), [art. 2\(a\)](#)

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