



# Political Parties and Elections Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 12

### PART 1

#### THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

##### *Functions of Electoral Commission*

## 2 Investigatory powers of Commission

(1) For section 146 of the 2000 Act there is substituted—

### **“146 Investigatory powers of Commission**

Schedule 19B makes provision about the investigatory powers of the Commission.”

(2) Before Schedule 20 to the 2000 Act there is inserted, as Schedule 19B, the Schedule set out in Schedule 1 to this Act.

(3) In Schedule 20 to the 2000 Act the following entries are inserted at the appropriate place—

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“Paragraph 13(1) of Schedule 19B (failure to comply with investigation requirement)	On summary conviction: Level 5
Paragraph 13(2) of Schedule 19B (intentional obstruction of person exercising investigatory power)	On summary conviction: Level 5
Paragraph 13(3) of Schedule 19B (providing false information in purported compliance with investigation requirement)	On summary conviction in England and Wales or Scotland: statutory maximum or 12 months On summary conviction in Northern Ireland: statutory maximum or 6 months On indictment: fine or 1 year”.

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the  
Political Parties and Elections Act 2009, Section 2. (See end of Document for details)

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 2 in force at 1.12.2010 by S.I. 2010/2866, **art. 3(b)** (with art. 5)

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