



Immigration Act 2014

2014 CHAPTER 22

PART 1

REMOVAL AND OTHER POWERS

Biometrics

10 Provision of biometric information with citizenship applications

- (1) Section 41 of the British Nationality Act 1981 (regulations for giving effect to the Act) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1), after paragraph (b) insert—
 - “(bza) requiring an application for registration or naturalisation of a person as a British citizen to be accompanied by biometric information, or enabling an authorised person to require an individual to whom such an application relates to provide biometric information;”.
- (3) After subsection (1) insert—
 - “(1ZA) In subsection (1)(bza) “authorised person” and “biometric information” have the same meaning as in section 126 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002.
 - (1ZB) Section 126(4) to (7) of that Act applies to regulations under subsection (1)(bza) as it applies to regulations under section 126(1) of that Act.
 - (1ZC) Section 8 of the UK Borders Act 2007 (power to make regulations about use and retention of biometric information) applies to biometric information provided in accordance with regulations under subsection (1)(bza) as it applies to biometric information provided in accordance with regulations under section 5(1) of that Act.
 - (1ZD) But (despite section 8(5)(b) of that Act) regulations made by virtue of subsection (1ZC) may provide for photographs of a person who is registered

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or naturalised as a British citizen to be retained until the person is issued with a United Kingdom passport describing the person as a British citizen.”

(4) In subsection (8)(b) for “(1)(bc)” substitute “ (1)(bza), (bc) ”.

Commencement Information

II [S. 10](#) in force at 28.7.2014 by [S.I. 2014/1820](#), [art. 3\(i\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.I. 2014/2771 by [S.I. 2015/371 art. 78](#)
- specified provision(s) savings for earlier commencing SI 2014/2771 by [S.I. 2014/2928 art. 2](#) (Amendment already reflected in Appended Commentary in EXTOES for 2014 SI2771.)

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. 21(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/745 reg. 21\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 21(2)(3) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1309, regs. 1(2)(a), 48)
- s. 27(7) inserted by [S.I. 2019/745 reg. 21\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 21(2)(3) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1309, regs. 1(2)(a), 48)
- s. 70A(6A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/745 reg. 21\(7\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 21(7) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1309, regs. 1(2)(a), 48)
- Sch. 3 para. 8A inserted by [2016 c. 19 Sch. 12 para. 16](#)