



# Metropolitan Police Act 1886

1886 CHAPTER 22 49 and 50 Vict

## 1 Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Metropolitan Police Act 1886 . . . <sup>F1</sup>

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### Textual Amendments

**F1** Words repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1898 \(c. 22\)](#)

**F2** Words repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1989 \(c. 43\)](#), s. 1(1), [Sch. 1 Pt. I](#)

## [<sup>F3</sup>2 Power of receiver with respect to construction of buildings and purchase of land.

The police receiver from time to time may provide, by building or otherwise, a central office and such police stations, offices, houses, and buildings as are required for the purposes of the metropolitan police force, and the execution of the enactments relating to such force, and may improve, enlarge, fit up, and provide proper access, yards, and other appurtenances for, any offices, stations, houses, and buildings provided either before or after the passing of this Act for the above purposes, or any of them, and may [<sup>F4</sup>purchase by agreement, or, if so authorised by the [<sup>F5</sup>Secretary of State], compulsorily, or] take on lease and hold for the said purpose any land and any rights or easements from over or upon that or any other land, or may exercise any of such powers.]

### Textual Amendments

**F3** [S. 2](#) repealed (3.7.2000 for specified purposes otherwise *prosp.*) by [1999 c. 29, ss. 325, 423, 425\(2\)](#), [Sch. 27 para. 5\(a\)](#), [Sch. 34 Pt. VII](#) (with [Sch. 12 para. 9\(1\)](#)); [S.I. 2000/1648, art. 2](#), [Sch.](#)

**F4** Words substituted by [Acquisition of Land \(Authorisation Procedure\) Act 1946 \(c. 46\)](#), [Sch. 4](#)

**F5** Words substituted by [Police Act 1964 \(c. 48\)](#), [Sch. 9](#)

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**Textual Amendments**  
F6 S. 3 repealed (with saving as to money borrowed thereunder) by [Metropolitan Magistrates' Courts Act 1959 \(c. 45, SIF 82\)](#), s.4(3), [Sch.](#)

[<sup>F7</sup>4 **Purchase of land.**

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(11) The provisions of this Act [<sup>F9</sup>and of the [<sup>F10</sup>M1 Acquisition of Land Act 1981]] with respect to the purchase of land by the police receiver shall [<sup>F9</sup>with the necessary modifications] extend to the purchase of land of which such receiver is lessee or occupier in like manner as if another person were for the time being lessee or occupier of such land, [<sup>F11</sup>and where an order authorising the compulsory purchase under this Act of any such land has come into operation,] the police receiver may give notice to and purchase the estate, right, or interest of some one or more only of the parties interested in the land, but in that case he shall, if any other of such parties, by notice in writing, so requires him, purchase the estate, right, or interest in the land of such party.]

**Textual Amendments**  
F7 S. 4 repealed (3.7.2000 for specified purposes otherwise *prosp.*) by [1999 c. 29, ss. 325, 423, 425\(2\), Sch. 27 para. 5\(b\), Sch. 34 Pt. VII \(with Sch. 12 para. 9\(1\)\)](#); S.I. 2000/1648, art. 2, [Sch.](#)  
F8 S. 4(1)–(10) repealed by [Acquisition of Land \(Authorisation Procedure\) Act 1946 \(c. 49, SIF 28:1\)](#), [Sch. 6](#)  
F9 Words inserted by [Acquisition of Land \(Authorisation Procedure\) Act 1946 \(c. 49\)](#), [Sch. 4](#)  
F10 Words substituted by [Acquisition of Land Act 1981 \(c. 67, SIF 28:1\)](#), s. 34, [Sch. 4 para. 1](#) Table  
F11 Words substituted by [Acquisition of Land \(Authorisation Procedure\) Act 1946 \(c. 46\)](#), [Sch. 4](#)

**Marginal Citations**  
M1 [1981 c. 67](#)

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**Textual Amendments**  
F12 S. 5 repealed by [Land Compensation Act 1973 \(c. 26, SIF 28:1\)](#), [Sch. 3](#)

[<sup>F13</sup>6 **Approval of Secretary of State for purchases and loans.**

Every purchase, sale, scheme, or lease by the police receiver under the Metropolitan Police Acts, 1829 to 1884, or this Act . . . <sup>F14</sup> shall be subject to the approval of a Secretary of State. . . . <sup>F14</sup> provided that it shall not be necessary for any vendor, purchaser, lessor, lessee, or lender to ascertain that such approval has been given.]

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**Textual Amendments**

- F13** S. 6 repealed (3.7.2000 for specified purposes otherwise *prosp.*) by 1999 c. 29, ss. 325, 423, 425(2), Sch. 27 para. 5(c), Sch. 34 Pt. VII (with **Sch. 12 para. 9(1)**); S.I. 2000/1648, art. 2, **Sch.**
- F14** Words repealed by [Metropolitan Magistrates' Courts Act 1959 \(c. 45, SIF 82\)](#), s. 4(3), **Sch.**

**7 Definitions.**

In this Act—

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The expression “police receiver” means the receiver for the metropolitan police district:

The expression “metropolitan police fund” means the rates, contributions, and funds for the time being applicable for defraying the expenses of the metropolitan police force.

**Textual Amendments**

- F15** Definitions repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1898 \(c. 22\)](#)

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**Textual Amendments**

- F16** S. 8 repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1898 \(c. 22\)](#)

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- s. 2467 repealed by [1999 c. 29 Sch. 27 para. 5Sch. 34 Pt. 7](#)