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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2016 No. 81**

**CRIMINAL LAW**

**The Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Power of arrest:  
Code of Practice) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016**

*Made - - - - 24th February 2016*

*Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1*

The Department of Justice makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 23 of Schedule 2 to the Modern Slavery Act 2015(1) (“the 2015 Act”).

The Department of Justice has, in accordance with paragraph 23(1) of Schedule 2 to the 2015 Act, prepared a code of practice in connection with the paragraph 22 power of arrest of constables and enforcement officers

In pursuance of paragraph 23(6)(a), the Department of Justice has laid a draft of the code of practice before the Assembly.

Accordingly, the Department of Justice, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 23(6)(b), makes the following Order.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Power of arrest: Code of Practice) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 and shall come into operation on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.

**Code of Practice**

2. The code of practice entitled “Code of Practice to be followed by Northern Ireland Constables and Enforcement Officers when arresting a person under the power conferred by paragraph 22(2) of Schedule 2 to the Modern Slavery Act 2015” comes into operation upon commencement of Part 3 of and Schedule 2 to the 2015 Act.

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Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Justice on 24th February 2016.



*David Ford*  
Minister of Justice

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into operation a Code of Practice to be followed by Northern Ireland constables and enforcement officers when arresting a person under the power conferred by paragraph 22(2) of Schedule 2 to the Modern Slavery Act 2015. The Code takes effect upon commencement of Part 3 of, and Schedule 2 to, the Modern Slavery Act 2015.