



# Ministry of Defence Police Act 1987

## 1987 CHAPTER 4

### <sup>F2</sup><sup>F1</sup> 2A Provision of assistance to other forces

- (1) The Chief Constable of the Ministry of Defence Police may, on the application of the chief officer of any relevant force, provide constables or other assistance for the purpose of enabling that force to meet any special demand on its resources.
- (2) Where a member of the Ministry of Defence Police is provided for the assistance of a relevant force under this section—
  - (a) he shall be under the direction and control of the chief officer of that force; and
  - (b) he shall have the same powers and privileges as a member of that force.
- (3) Constables are not to be regarded as provided for the assistance of a relevant force under this section in a case where assistance is provided under section 2 above.
- (4) In this section—
  - <sup>F3</sup> “ British Transport Police Force ” has the same meaning as in section 2 above; ]
  - “ chief officer ” means—
    - (a) the chief officer of the police force for any police area;
    - (aa) <sup>F4</sup>the chief constable of the Police Service of Scotland;]
    - (b) the Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland;
    - (c) the Chief Constable of the British Transport Police Force; or
    - (d) the Chief Constable of the <sup>F5</sup>Civil Nuclear Constabulary];
    - “ relevant force ” means—
      - (a) the police force for any police area;
      - (aa) <sup>F6</sup>the Police Service of Scotland;]
      - (b) the Police Service of Northern Ireland;
      - (c) the British Transport Police Force; or
      - (d) <sup>F7</sup> the Civil Nuclear Constabulary. ]<sup>F8</sup> ...  
<sup>F8</sup> ...]

---

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Ministry of Defence Police Act 1987, Section 2A . (See end of Document for details)

---

### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 2A inserted (14.12.2001 for E.W.N.I. and 7.1.2002 for S.) by 2001 c. 24, **ss. 99**, 127(2)(e); S.I. 2001/4104, **art. 2(b)**
- F2** S. 2A amended (1.7.2004) by **Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003 (c. 20)**, **Sch. 5 para. 4**; S.I. 2004/1572, art. 3(jjj)
- F3** Definition of “British Transport Police Force” in 2A(4) (1.7.2004) ceases to have effect by virtue of **Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003 (c. 20)**, **Sch. 5 para. 4**; S.I. 2004/1572, art. 3(jjj)
- F4** Words in definition of “chief officer” in s. 2A(4) inserted (1.4.2013) by **The Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/602)**, art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 20(4)(a)**
- F5** Words in s. 2A(4) substituted (1.4.2005) by **Energy Act 2004 (c. 20)**, s. 198(2), **Sch. 14 para. 5(2)(a)**; S.I. 2005/877, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- F6** Words in definition of “relevant force” in s. 2A(4) inserted (1.4.2013) by **The Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/602)**, art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 20(4)(b)**
- F7** Words in s. 2A(4) substituted (1.4.2005) by **Energy Act 2004 (c. 20)**, s. 198(2), **Sch. 14 para. 5(2)(b)**; S.I. 2005/877, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- F8** Words in s. 2A(4) repealed (1.4.2005) by **Energy Act 2004 (c. 20)**, s. 198(2), **Sch. 23 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2005/877, art. 2(1), Sch. 1

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Ministry of Defence Police Act 1987, Section 2A .