

# Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003

# **2003 CHAPTER 20**

## PART 3

### BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE

#### Police Force

## 25 Special constables

- (1) The Chief Constable may appoint special constables of the Police Force.
- (2) A special constable of the Police Force-
  - (a) shall be under the direction and control of the Chief Constable, and
  - (b) may be dismissed by the Chief Constable.
- (3) Section 29 of the Police Act 1996 (c. 16) (attestation) shall apply to a special constable of the Police Force appointed in England or Wales (with the omission of the words in paragraph (b) "having jurisdiction within the police area").
- (4) Section 16 of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967 (c. 77) (declaration) shall apply to a special constable of the Police Force appointed in Scotland (with the substitution of the words "faithfully to execute" for "in such terms as may be prescribed concerning the proper discharge of").
- (5) Section 88(1) to (5) of the Police Act 1996 (liability for wrongful act of constable) shall have effect in relation to special constables of the Police Force as if—
  - (a) a reference to the chief officer of police for a police area were a reference to the Chief Constable,
  - (b) a reference to a constable were a reference to a special constable,
  - (c) a reference to the police fund were a reference to the British Transport Police Fund,
  - (d) a reference to a police authority were a reference to the Authority, and
  - (e) subsection (5) included a reference to a special constable of the Police Force.

(6) A reference in this Part to a constable of the Police Force includes a reference to a special constable of the Police Force.

#### **Commencement Information**

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#### Status:

Point in time view as at 28/03/2009. This version of this provision has been superseded.

#### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, Section 25.