

# Serious Crime Act 2015

## **2015 CHAPTER 9**

### PART 3

#### ORGANISED, SERIOUS AND GANG-RELATED CRIME

#### Gang injunctions

#### 51 Injunctions to prevent gang-related violence and drug-dealing activity

In Part 4 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 (injunctions: gang-related violence), for section 34 substitute—

#### "34 Injunctions to prevent gang-related violence and drug-dealing activity

- (1) A court may grant an injunction under this section against a respondent aged 14 or over if the first and second conditions are met.
- (2) The first condition is that the court is satisfied on the balance of probabilities that the respondent has engaged in or has encouraged or assisted—
  - (a) gang-related violence, or
  - (b) gang-related drug-dealing activity.
- (3) The second condition is that the court thinks it is necessary to grant the injunction for either or both of the following purposes—
  - (a) to prevent the respondent from engaging in, or encouraging or assisting, gang-related violence or gang-related drug-dealing activity;
  - (b) to protect the respondent from gang-related violence or gang-related drug-dealing activity.

(4) An injunction under this section may (for either or both of those purposes)—

- (a) prohibit the respondent from doing anything described in the injunction;
- (b) require the respondent to do anything described in the injunction.

- (5) For the purposes of this section, something is "gang-related" if it occurs in the course of, or is otherwise related to, the activities of a group that—
  - (a) consists of at least three people, and
  - (b) has one or more characteristics that enable its members to be identified by others as a group.
- (6) In this section "violence" includes a threat of violence.
- (7) In this Part "drug-dealing activity" means the unlawful production, supply, importation or exportation of a controlled drug.

"Production", "supply" and "controlled drug" here have the meanings given by section 37(1) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971."

#### **Commencement Information**

II S. 51 in force at 1.6.2015 by S.I. 2015/820, reg. 3(n)

### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Serious Crime Act 2015, Cross Heading: Gang injunctions.