



## 2016 CHAPTER 21

### PART 1

#### FINES AND OTHER PENALTIES: ENFORCEMENT

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Collection of Fines etc.

*Freezing bank accounts etc.*

#### **Hardship payments**

**21.—(1)** Where an interim bank account order is in force, the collection officer may, on a written application by the debtor, make a hardship payment order if the officer is satisfied that, as a result of the interim bank account order, the debtor or his or her family is suffering hardship in meeting ordinary living expenses.

(2) A hardship payment order is an order requiring the deposit-taker to make to the person specified in the order such payments as are specified in the order out of the amount specified in the interim bank account order.

(3) Regulations may make further provision in relation to hardship payment orders; and the regulations may in particular make provision as to—

- (a) the matters to be included in an application for a hardship payment order;
- (b) the procedure to be followed when making the application;
- (c) the matters which the collection officer must take into account when determining an application for a hardship payment order;
- (d) the procedure to be followed when determining the application;

- (e) the contents of a hardship payment order;
- (f) service of a hardship payment order.