

# Mental Health Act 1983

# **1983 CHAPTER 20**

## PART VI

### REMOVAL AND RETURN OF PATIENTS WITHIN UNITED KINGDOM, ETC.

#### General

### 91 General provisions as to patients removed from England and Wales.

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) below, where a patient liable to be detained or subject to guardianship by virtue of an application, order or direction under Part II or III of this Act (other than section 35, 36 or 38 above) is removed from England and Wales in pursuance of arrangements under this Part of this Act, the application, order or direction shall cease to have effect when he is duly received into a hospital or other institution, or placed under guardianship [<sup>F1</sup>or, where he is not received into a hospital but his detention in hospital is authorised by virtue of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)(Scotland) Act 2003 or the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995], in pursuance of those arrangements.
- (2) Where the Secretary of State exercises his powers under section 86(2) above in respect of a patient who is detained pursuant to a hospital order under section 37 above and in respect of whom a restriction order is in force, those orders shall continue in force so as to apply to the patient if he returns to England and Wales<sup>F2</sup>....
- [F<sup>3</sup>(2A) Where responsibility for a community patient is transferred to a jurisdiction outside England and Wales (or such a patient is removed outside England and Wales) in pursuance of arrangements under this Part of this Act, the application, order or direction mentioned in subsection (1) above in force in respect of him shall cease to have effect on the date on which responsibility is so transferred (or he is so removed) in pursuance of those arrangements.]
  - [<sup>F4</sup>(3) Reference in this section to a patient's detention in hospital being authorised by virtue of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)(Scotland) Act 2003 or the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 shall be read as including references to a patient in

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respect of whom a certificate under one of the provisions listed in section 290(7)(a) of the Act of 2003 is in operation.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Words in s. 91(1) inserted (5.10.2005) by The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/2078), art. 15, Sch. 1 para. 2(7)(a)
- F2 Words in s. 91(2) omitted (1.10.2007) and repealed (3.11.2008) by virtue of Mental Health Act 2007 (c. 12), ss. 40(6)(7), 55, 56, Sch. 11 Pt. 8 (with Sch. 10); S.I. 2007/2798, art. 2(d); S.I. 2008/1900, art. 2(p) (with art. 3, Sch.)
- **F3** S. 91(2A) inserted (3.11.2008) by Mental Health Act 2007 (c. 12), ss. 39, 56, Sch. 5 para. 16 (with Sch. 10); S.I. 2008/1900, art. 2(n) (with art. 3, Sch.)
- F4 S. 91(3) inserted (5.10.2005) by The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/2078), art. 15, Sch. 1 para. 2(7)(b)

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	(prosp.) by 1968 c. 20, s. 23(4) (as substituted (prosp.) by 1996 c. 46, ss. 8, 36(2),
	Sch. 2, para. 9 which said amending provision was repealed (31.3.2005) by
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	2005/579, art. 3(h)(i)(ix)))
_	Act applied by 1996 c. 46 Sch. 2 para. 4(replacing1957 c 53 s. 63) (Act applied
	(prosp.) by 1957 c. 53, s. 63C(6) (as substituted (prosp.) by 1996 c. 46, ss. 8,
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_	Act applied by 1996 c. 46 Sch. 2 para. 1(replacing1955 c 19 s. 116) (Act applied
	(prosp.) by 1955 c. 19, s. 116C(6) (as substituted (prosp.) by 1996 c. 46, ss. 8, 36(2),
	Sch. 2 para. 1 which said amending provision was repealed (31.3.2005) by Domestic
	Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004 (c. 28), ss. 58(2), 60, Sch. 11; S.I. 2005/579,
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	ble provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those
prov	visions):
_	s. 74(8) inserted by 2015 c. 2 Sch. 3 para. 3(3)