



Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 60

PART IV

DETENTION

Detention—miscellaneous

[^{F1}47ZF Applicable bail period: first extension of limit by court

- (1) This section applies in relation to a person if—
 - ^{F2}(a)
 - (b) a senior officer has authorised an extension of the applicable bail period in relation to the person under [^{F3}section 47ZDA],
[an appropriate decision-maker has authorised an extension of the applicable
 - ^{F4}(ba) bail period in relation to the person under section 47ZDB,] or
 - (c) [^{F5}a qualifying police officer] has authorised an extension of the applicable bail period in relation to the person under section 47ZE.
- (2) Before the applicable bail period in relation to the person ends a qualifying applicant may apply to a magistrates' court for it to authorise an extension of the applicable bail period in relation to the person under this section.
- (3) If the court is satisfied that—
 - (a) conditions B to D are met in relation to the person, and
 - (b) the case does not fall within subsection (7),it may authorise the applicable bail period to be extended as specified in subsection (4).
- (4) The applicable bail period is to end—
 - (a) in a case falling within [^{F6}subsection (1)(b)], at the end of the period of [^{F7}12 months] beginning with the person's bail start date;
 - (b) in a case falling within [^{F8}subsection (1)(ba) or (c)], at the end of the period of [^{F9}18 months] beginning with the person's bail start date.

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- (5) If the court is satisfied that—
- (a) conditions B to D are met in relation to the person, and
 - (b) the case falls within subsection (7),
- it may authorise the applicable bail period to be extended as specified in subsection (6).
- (6) The applicable bail period is to end—
- (a) in a case falling within [F10 subsection (1)(b)], at the end of the period of [F11 18 months] beginning with the person’s bail start date;
 - (b) in a case falling within [F12 subsection (1)(ba) or (c)], at the end of the period of [F13 24 months] beginning with the person’s bail start date.
- (7) A case falls within this subsection if the nature of the decision or further investigations mentioned in condition B means that that decision is unlikely to be made or those investigations completed if the applicable bail period in relation to the person is not extended as specified in subsection (6).
- (8) In this section “qualifying applicant” means—
- (a) a constable,
 - (b) a member of staff of the Financial Conduct Authority who is of the description designated for the purposes of this subsection by the Chief Executive of the Authority,
 - [F14 (ba) an officer of Revenue and Customs,
 - (bb) a National Crime Agency officer,]
 - (c) a member of the Serious Fraud Office, or
 - (d) a Crown Prosecutor.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 47ZA-47ZM inserted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 3.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), ss. 63, 183(1)(5)(e); S.I. 2017/399, reg. 2, Sch. para. 15 (with reg. 5)
- F2** S. 47ZF(1)(a) omitted (28.10.2022) by virtue of Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(2)(a) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F3** Words in s. 47ZF(1)(b) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(2)(b) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F4** S. 47ZF(1)(ba) inserted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(2)(c) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F5** Words in s. 47ZF(1)(c) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(2)(d) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F6** Words in s. 47ZF(4)(a) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(3)(a)(i) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F7** Words in s. 47ZF(4)(a) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(3)(a)(ii) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F8** Words in s. 47ZF(4)(b) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(3)(b)(i) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F9** Words in s. 47ZF(4)(b) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(3)(b)(ii) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)
- F10** Words in s. 47ZF(6)(a) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), Sch. 4 para. 31(4)(a)(i) (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, reg. 4(b)

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- F12** Words in s. 47ZF(6)(b) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), **Sch. 4 para. 31(4)(b)(i)** (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, **reg. 4(b)**
- F13** Words in s. 47ZF(6)(b) substituted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), **Sch. 4 para. 31(4)(b)(ii)** (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, **reg. 4(b)**
- F14** S. 47ZF(8)(ba)(bb) inserted (28.10.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), s. 208(1), **Sch. 4 para. 31(5)** (with s. 45(3)); S.I. 2022/1075, **reg. 4(b)**

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- s. 17(1)(cza) inserted by [2021 c. 17 s. 26\(9\)](#)
- s. 47A(3A) substituted by [2022 c. 35 Sch. 2 para. 7](#)
- s. 61(6BA) inserted by [2008 c. 28 s. 10\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 omitted (14.12.2011) by virtue of 2011 c. 23, ss. 29, 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5(3))
- s. 63(3D) inserted by [2008 c. 28 s. 10\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 omitted (14.12.2011) by virtue of 2011 c. 23, ss. 29, 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5(3))
- s. 64(1AA) inserted by [2008 c. 28 s. 10\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 omitted (14.12.2011) by virtue of 2011 c. 23, ss. 29, 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5(3))
- s. 64A(1B)(cb) inserted by [2022 c. 32 Sch. 11 para. 18\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1A para. 21A added by 1995 c. 32, s. 8B(1) (as inserted) by [2006 c. 12 Sch. 3 para. 13](#)