



Noise Act 1996

CHAPTER 37

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Summary procedure for dealing with noise at night

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Seizure, etc. of equipment used to make noise unlawfully

- 10 Powers of entry and seizure etc.

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SCHEDULE — Powers in relation to seized equipment

Introductory

- 1 In this Schedule— (a) a “noise offence” means—

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Retention

- 2 (1) Any seized equipment may be retained—

Forfeiture

- 3 (1) Where a person is convicted of a noise offence...

Consequences of forfeiture

- 4 (1) Where any equipment has been forfeited under paragraph 3,...

Return etc. of seized equipment

- 5 If in proceedings for a noise offence no order for...
6 (1) Where in the case of any seized equipment no...

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- S.I. 2004/690 art. 2-4 commences (2003 c. 38)
- S.I. 2004/999 art. 2 commences (2003 c. 38)
- S.I. 2006/768 art. 2-4 commences (2005 c. 16)
- S.I. 2006/795 art. 2 Sch. 1 2 commences (2005 c. 16)
- S.I. 2006/2006 art. 2 commences (2005 c. 16)
- S.I. 2006/2797 art. 2-7 commences (2005 c. 16)
- S.I. 2007/3371 art. 2 commences (2005 c. 16)
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