



Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 33

PART VII

POWER TO ARREST, SEARCH AND FINGERPRINT

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- (1) An immigration officer exercising any specified power to—
 - (a) arrest, question, search or take fingerprints from a person,
 - (b) enter and search premises, or
 - (c) seize property found on persons or premises,must have regard to such provisions of a code as may be specified.
- (2) Subsection (1) also applies to an authorised person exercising the power to take fingerprints conferred by section 141.
- (3) Any specified provision of a code may have effect for the purposes of this section subject to such modifications as may be specified.
- (4) “Specified” means specified in a direction given by the Secretary of State.
- (5) “Authorised person” has the same meaning as in section 141.
- (6) “Code” means—
 - (a) in relation to England and Wales, any code of practice for the time being in force under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984;
 - (b) in relation to Northern Ireland, any code of practice for the time being in force under the Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989.
- (7) This section does not apply to any person exercising powers in Scotland.