



Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 33

PART VIII

DETENTION CENTRES AND DETAINED PERSONS

Interpretation

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In this Part—

“certificate of authorisation” means a certificate issued by the Secretary of State under section 154;

“certified prisoner custody officer” means a prisoner custody officer certified under section 89 of the Criminal Justice Act 1991, or section 114 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, to perform custodial duties;

“contract monitor” means a person appointed by the Secretary of State under section 149(4);

“contracted out detention centre” means a detention centre in relation to which a detention centre contract is in force;

“contractor”, in relation to a detention centre which is being run in accordance with a detention centre contract, means the person who has contracted to run it;

“custodial functions” means custodial functions at a detention centre;

“detained persons” means persons detained or required to be detained under the 1971 Act;

“detainee custody officer” means a person in respect of whom a certificate of authorisation is in force;

“detention centre” means a place which is used solely for the detention of detained persons but which is not a short-term holding facility, a prison or part of a prison;

“detention centre contract” means a contract entered into by the Secretary of State under section 149;

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

“detention centre rules” means rules made by the Secretary of State under section 153;

“directly managed detention centre” means a detention centre which is not a contracted out detention centre;

“escort arrangements” means arrangements made by the Secretary of State under section 156;

“escort functions” means functions under escort arrangements;

“escort monitor” means a person appointed under paragraph 1 of Schedule 13;

“prisoner custody officer”—

- (a) in relation to England and Wales, has the same meaning as in the Criminal Justice Act 1991;
- (b) in relation to Scotland, has the meaning given in section 114(1) of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994;
- (c) in relation to Northern Ireland, has the meaning given in section 122(1) of that Act of 1994;

“short-term holding facility” means a place used solely for the detention of detained persons for a period of not more than seven days or for such other period as may be prescribed.