



# Extradition Act 2003

## 2003 CHAPTER 41

### PART 5

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

*[<sup>F1</sup>Non-UK extradition: transit through the United Kingdom*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>189A Facilitating transit through the United Kingdom**

- (1) The relevant UK authority may issue a transit certificate in relation to the non-UK extradition of a person if that authority has been requested to facilitate the transit of the person through the United Kingdom for the purposes of the extradition.
- (2) If the relevant UK authority issues a transit certificate in relation to the non-UK extradition of a person, an authorised officer may do any or all of the following—
  - (a) escort the person from, or to, any means of transport used for the purposes of the extradition;
  - (b) take the person into custody to facilitate the transit of the person through the United Kingdom for the purposes of the extradition;
  - (c) search the person, and any item in the possession of the person, for any item which the person might use to cause physical injury to that person or any other person;
  - (d) in a case where the person has been taken into custody under paragraph (b), search the person, and any item in the possession of the person, for any item which the person might use to escape from custody.
- (3) An authorised officer searching a person in the exercise of a power conferred by subsection (2)(c) or (d) may seize any item found if the officer has reasonable grounds for believing that the person searched might use the item—
  - (a) to cause physical injury to that person or any other person; or
  - (b) in a case where the person has been taken into custody, to escape from custody.
- (4) If no request is made under subsection (1) in relation to the non-UK extradition of a person, or if such a request is made but a transit certificate is not issued, that does not—

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- (a) prevent the transit of the person through the United Kingdom for the purposes of the extradition; or
- (b) affect the powers which an authorised officer has (otherwise than under this section) in relation to the person while in the United Kingdom.]

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**Textual Amendments**

**F1** Ss. 189A-189E and cross-heading inserted (1.5.2021) by [Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 \(c. 12\)](#), **ss. 168, 185(1)** (with ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93); S.I. 2021/532, art. 3

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