

*These notes refer to the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009
(c.23) which received Royal Assent on 12th November 2009*

MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Part 8: Enforcement

Chapter 5: Common Enforcement Provisions

Offences in relation to enforcement officers

Section 292: Offences in relation to enforcement officers

721. This section provides for a number of offences that may be committed in relation to enforcement officers or people assisting them. Anyone who fails to comply with a requirement reasonably made by an enforcement officer, or prevents any other person from so doing, is guilty of an offence. However, *subsection (2)* provides that someone who was required to produce a licence under section 257 and did not do so at the time, but complied with a requirement to produce it later, is not guilty of an offence.
722. Where a person provides information to an enforcement officer in response to a requirement made by the officer, it is also an offence for the person knowingly or recklessly to provide false information, or intentionally to fail to disclose any relevant piece of information. Anyone who assaults or intentionally obstructs an enforcement officer, when the officer is exercising his duties under this Part, is guilty of an offence. Anyone who pretends to be an enforcement officer is also guilty of an offence.