



# Prison Act 1952

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## *Prison officers*

### 7 **Prison officers.**

- (1) Every prison shall have a governor, a chaplain <sup>F1</sup>... and such other officers as may be necessary.
- (2) Every prison in which women are received shall have a sufficient number of women officers; . . . <sup>F2</sup>
- (3) A prison which in the opinion of the Secretary of State is large enough to require it may have a deputy governor or an assistant chaplain or both.
- (4) The chaplain and any assistant chaplain shall be a clergyman of the Church of England <sup>F3</sup> . . . .
- (5) <sup>F4</sup> . . . . .

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 7(1) repealed (1.11.2007) by [Offender Management Act 2007 \(c. 21\)](#), ss. 25(1), 41(1), [Sch. 5 Pt. 2](#); S.I. 2007/3001, art. 2(1)(t)
- F2** Words repealed by [Sex Discrimination Act 1975 \(c. 65\)](#), s. 18(2)
- F3** Words in s. 7(4) repealed (1.11.2007) by [Offender Management Act 2007 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 41(1), [Sch. 5 Pt. 2](#); S.I. 2007/3001, art. 2(1)(t)
- F4** S. 7(5) repealed by S.I. 1963/597, [Sch. 1](#)

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** S. 7(1) modified (31.10.1991) by [Criminal Justice Act 1991 \(c. 53, SIF 39:1\)](#), s. 87(2); S.I. 1991/2208, art. 2(4), [Sch. 3](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

Prison Act 1952, Section 7 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 May 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 47(1A) inserted by [2012 c. 10 s. 129\(2\)](#)
- s. 47(1A) modified (temp.) by [2012 c. 10 s. 129\(10\)](#)
- s. 47(1A) modified (temp.) by [2012 c. 10 s. 129\(11\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 47(1A)(a) words inserted by [2015 c. 2 Sch. 9 para. 3\(3\)](#)
- s. 47(6) inserted by [2012 c. 10 s. 129\(3\)](#)
- s. 47A inserted by [2012 c. 10 s. 129\(4\)](#)
- s. 47A modified (temp.) by [2012 c. 10 s. 129\(11\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 55(4A) repealed by [2006 c. 13 s. 46\(2\)\(a\)Sch. 3](#)