
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**PROCEEDS OF CRIME, ENGLAND AND WALES
PROCEEDS OF CRIME, NORTHERN IRELAND**

The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References
to Financial Investigators) (England and
Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2021

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>25th May 2021</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>7th June 2021</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>28th June 2021</i>

The Secretary of State makes this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 453(1) and (2) and 459(2) of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002(1).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2021.

(2) It comes into force on 28th June 2021.

(3) It extends to England and Wales and Northern Ireland, apart from—

- (a) Part 1 of Schedule 1, which extends to England and Wales,
- (b) Part 2 of Schedule 1, which extends to Northern Ireland, and
- (c) in relation to the revocations made by article 4 and Schedule 2, which have the same extent as the instruments revoked.

Commencement Information

II [Art. 1](#) in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

(1) [2002 c. 29](#). Section 453(2) was amended by section 81(1) of the Serious Crime Act [2007 \(c. 27\)](#). There is another amendment to section 453 which is not relevant.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

the “2002 Act” means the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002;

“local authority” means—

(a) in England—

- (i) a county council,
- (ii) a district council,
- (iii) a London borough council,
- (iv) the Common Council of the City of London in its capacity as a local authority,
- (v) the Council of the Isles of Scilly, or
- (vi) a parish council;

(b) in Wales—

- (i) a county council,
- (ii) a community council, or
- (iii) a county borough council;

the “NHS Counter Fraud Authority” means the NHS Counter Fraud Authority established as a special health authority under section 28 of the National Health Service Act 2006⁽²⁾;

the “Post Office” means the company Post Office Limited (registered number 2154540);

“relevant training” means training on the role of an accredited financial investigator from the National Crime Agency, the Assets Recovery Agency or the National Policing Improvement Agency;

the “Royal Mail” means the company Royal Mail Group Limited (registered number 4138203);

“Velindre National Health Service Trust” means the NHS trust established by the Velindre National Health Service Trust (Establishment) Order 1993⁽³⁾.

(2) A reference in this Order to a member of staff of a government department (whether of the United Kingdom or of Northern Ireland) includes a reference to a member of staff of any executive agency of the department in question.

(3) In relation to paragraph (2), where the reference in the Order is to a member of staff of the department at or above a particular grade, the reference to a member of staff at an executive agency included by virtue of paragraph (2) is to a member of staff at or above the same grade or a grade equivalent to that grade.

Commencement Information

I2 [Art. 2](#) in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

References to accredited financial investigators

3. A reference to an accredited financial investigator in a provision of the 2002 Act specified in column 1 of each table in Schedule 1 is a reference to an accredited financial investigator who falls within the corresponding description in column 2 of the table in question.

(2) 2006 c. 41.

(3) S.I. 1993/2838.

Commencement Information

I3 [Art. 3](#) in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

Revocation

4. The instruments listed in Schedule 2 are revoked.

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I4 [Art. 4](#) in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

25th May 2021

Williams of Trafford
Minister of State
Home Office

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

References to Accredited Financial Investigators

PART 1

References in Part 2 of the 2002 Act (Confiscation: England and Wales)

Commencement Information**I5** Sch. 1 Pt. 1 in force at 28.6.2021, see **art. 1(2)****Table 1**

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
Section 42(2)(c) (applications for restraint orders)	An accredited financial investigator who is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a constable of a police force in England and Wales; (b) a National Crime Agency officer; (c) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Competition and Markets Authority; (ii) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade]; (iii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (iv) the Department for Health and Social Care; (v) the Department for Transport; (vi) the Department for Work and Pensions; (vii) the Environment Agency; (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (ix) the Food Standards Agency; (x) the Gambling Commission; (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xii) the Home Office; (xiii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiv) a local authority; (xv) the London Fire Commissioner; (xvi) the Marine Management Organisation; (xvii) the Ministry of Defence; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru); (xix) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority; (xx) the Pensions Regulator;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xxi) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable); (xxii) the Post Office; (xxiii) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xxiv) the Royal Mail; (xxv) the Security Industry Authority; (xxvi) the Serious Fraud Office; (xxvii) Transport for London; (xxviii) Velindre National Health Service Trust.
Section 47A(1)(c)(4)	An accredited financial investigator who is—
Section 47M(3)(c)(5)	(a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of—
(search and seizure powers: general)	(i) the Financial Conduct Authority; (ii) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable); (iii) a local authority.
Section 47G(3)(c)(6)	An accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—
(search and seizure powers: appropriate approval)	(a) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (b) a local authority and has received relevant training.
Section 68(3)(c)(7)	An accredited financial investigator who is—
(authorisation for applications and appeals under Part 2)	(a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 2; (b) a member of staff of— (i) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7; (ii) [F ¹ the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (iii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

(4) Section 47A was inserted by section 55 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 (c. 26). There are amendments to this section but none is relevant.

(5) Section 47M was inserted by section 55 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009. There are amendments to this section but none is relevant.

(6) Section 47G was inserted by section 55 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009. Section 47G(3)(c) was amended by paragraph 21 of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017 (c. 22) and S.I. 2018/285 (W. 54).

(7) Section 47G(3)(c) was amended by S.I. 2018/285 (W. 54).

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2021. (See end of Document for details)

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(iv) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
	(v) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(vi) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(vii) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7;
	(viii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is—
	(aa) at or above the grade of Manager, or
	(bb) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(ix) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(x) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Intelligence Manager or Operations Manager;
	(xii) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(xiii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(xiv) a local authority and has received relevant training;
	(xv) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager;
	(xvi) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(xvii) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above the grade B2;
	(xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(xix) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority and is at or above grade 8C;
	(xx) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(xxi) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xxii) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxiii) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xxiv) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxv) the Security Industry Authority and is at or above the grade of Investigations Manager;
	(xxvi) the Serious Fraud Office and is at or above grade 7;
	(xxvii) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(xxviii) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

F1 Words in [Sch. 1](#) substituted (3.5.2023) by [The Secretaries of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, for Science, Innovation and Technology, for Business and Trade, and for Culture, Media and Sport and the Transfer of Functions \(National Security and Investment Act 2021 etc\) Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/424\)](#), art. 1(2), [Sch. para. 70](#) (with art. 17)

PART 2

References in Part 4 of the 2002 Act (Confiscation: Northern Ireland)

Commencement Information
I6 [Sch. 1 Pt. 2](#) in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

Table 2

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
Section 191(2)(c) (application for restraint orders)	An accredited financial investigator who is— (a) a constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland; (b) a National Crime Agency officer; (c) a member of staff of— (i) the Competition and Markets Authority; (ii) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland); (iii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland); (v) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (vi) the Department for Health and Social Care; (vii) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland); (viii) the Department for Transport; (ix) the Financial Conduct Authority; (x) the Food Standards Agency; (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xii) the Home Office; (xiii) the Ministry of Defence; (xiv) the Pensions Regulator; (xv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable); (xvi) the Post Office; (xvii) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xviii) the Royal Mail; (xix) the Security Industry Authority; (xx) the Serious Fraud Office.
Section 195A(1)(c)(8) (search and seizure powers: general)	<p>An accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland); (ii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (iii) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable).
Section 195G(3)(c)(9) (search and seizure powers: appropriate approval)	<p>An accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer; (b) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager.

(8) Section 195A was inserted by section 57 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009. There are amendments to this section but none is relevant.

(9) Section 195G was inserted by section 57 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
<p>Section 195M(3)(c)(10) (further detention in other cases: applications)</p>	<p>An accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland); (ii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (iii) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable).
<p>Section 216(3)(c) (authorisation for applications and appeals under Part 2)</p>	<p>An accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 2; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7; (ii) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer; (iii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal; (iv) the Department of the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal; (v) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (vi) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (vii) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal; (viii) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (ix) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (x) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;

(10) Section 195M was inserted by section 57 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009. There are amendments to this section but none is relevant.

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xii) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(xiii) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above the grade B2;
	(xiv) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
	(xv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(xvi) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xvii) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xviii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xix) the Security Industry Authority and is at or above the grade of Investigations Manager;
	(xx) the Serious Fraud Office and is at or above grade 7.

PART 3

References in Part 5 of the 2002 Act (Civil Recovery of the Proceeds etc. of Unlawful Conduct) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland)

Commencement Information

I7 Sch. 1 Pt. 3 in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

Table 3

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
Chapter 3 of Part 5, other than—	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—
(a) the second reference in section 290(4)(c)(11);	(a) a National Crime Agency officer;
	(b) a member of staff of—
	(i) [^{F1} the Department for Business and Trade];
	(ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;

(11) Section 290(4)(c) was inserted by paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 11 to the Serious Crime Act 2007 (c. 27) and amended by paragraph 32(2) of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and S.I. 2018/285 (W. 54).

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
<p>(b) the reference in section 297A(6)(c)(12).</p> <p>(recovery of cash in summary proceedings)</p>	<p>(iii) the Department for Health and Social Care;</p> <p>(iv) the Department for Transport;</p> <p>(v) the Department for Work and Pensions;</p> <p>(vi) the Environment Agency;</p> <p>(vii) the Financial Conduct Authority;</p> <p>(viii) the Food Standards Agency;</p> <p>(ix) the Gambling Commission;</p> <p>(x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;</p> <p>(xi) the Home Office;</p> <p>(xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office;</p> <p>(xiii) a local authority;</p> <p>(xiv) the London Fire Commissioner;</p> <p>(xv) the Marine Management Organisation;</p> <p>(xvi) the Ministry of Defence;</p> <p>(xvii) the Ministry of Justice;</p> <p>(xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru);</p> <p>(xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable);</p> <p>(xx) the Post Office;</p> <p>(xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority;</p> <p>(xxii) the Royal Mail;</p> <p>(xxiii) Transport for London;</p> <p>(xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.</p>

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);
 - (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;
 - (v) the Department for Health and Social Care;

(12) Section 297A(6)(c) was inserted by section 65(1) of the Policing and Crime Act 2009.

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<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland); (vii) the Department for Transport; (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (ix) the Food Standards Agency; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) the Ministry of Defence; (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable); (xv) the Post Office; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xvii) the Royal Mail.
<p>Section 290(4)(c)</p> <p>(prior approval by senior officer for search of cash under Part 5, Chapter 3)</p>	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) [F¹the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (b) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (c) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (d) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (e) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (f) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7; (g) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (h) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (i) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement; (j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

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	(l) the Information Commissioner's Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(m) a local authority and has received relevant training;
	(n) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager;
	(o) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(p) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(q) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(r) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(s) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(t) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(u) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(v) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(w) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—

- (a) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
- (b) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (c) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (d) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
- (e) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
- (f) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (g) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
- (h) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
- (i) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;

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<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager; (k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (l) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (m) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (n) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (o) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (p) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.
<p>Section 297A(6)(c)</p> <p>(forfeiture notice: senior officer)</p>	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) [F¹the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (b) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (c) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (d) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (e) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (f) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7; (g) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (h) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (i) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement; (j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (l) a local authority and has received relevant training; (m) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager;

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	(n) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(o) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(p) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(q) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(r) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(s) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(t) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(u) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(v) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(w) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—

- (a) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
- (b) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
- (c) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
- (d) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
- (e) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
- (f) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
- (g) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
- (h) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
- (i) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
- (j) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(k) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(l) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.
Section 303C(9)(d)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—
Section 303L(5)(d)	(a) a National Crime Agency officer;
Section 303O(2)(d)(13)	(b) a member of staff of—
(recovery of listed assets under Part 5, Chapter 3A: general)	(i) [^{F1} the Department for Business and Trade];
	(ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;
	(iii) the Department for Health and Social Care;
	(iv) the Department for Transport;
	(v) the Department for Work and Pensions;
	(vi) the Environment Agency;
	(vii) the Financial Conduct Authority;
	(viii) the Food Standards Agency;
	(ix) the Gambling Commission;
	(x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;
	(xi) the Home Office;
	(xii) the Information Commissioner's Office;
	(xiii) a local authority;
	(xiv) the London Fire Commissioner;
	(xv) the Marine Management Organisation;
	(xvi) the Ministry of Defence;
	(xvii) the Ministry of Justice;
	(xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru);
	(xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable);
	(xx) the Post Office;
	(xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority;
	(xxii) the Royal Mail;
	(xxiii) Transport for London;
	(xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.

(13) Sections 303C, 303L and 303O were inserted by section 15 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and amended by S.I. 2018/768 (W. 155).

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a National Crime Agency officer;(b) a member of staff of—<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);(ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);(iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);(iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;(v) the Department for Health and Social Care;(vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland);(vii) the Department for Transport;(viii) the Financial Conduct Authority;(ix) the Food Standards Agency;(x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;(xi) the Home Office;(xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office;(xiii) the Ministry of Defence;(xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable);(xv) the Post Office;(xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority;(xvii) the Royal Mail.
Section 303E(4)(f)(14) (recovery of listed assets under Part 5, Chapter 3A: senior officers)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;(b) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;(c) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;(d) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;(e) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

(14) Section 303E was inserted by section 15 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and amended by [S.I. 2018/768 \(W. 155\)](#).

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2021. (See end of Document for details)

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(f) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7;
	(g) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(h) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(i) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(l) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(m) a local authority and has received relevant training;
	(n) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager;
	(o) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(p) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(q) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(r) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(s) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(t) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(u) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(v) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(w) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—

- (a) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (b) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal; (c) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal; (d) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (e) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (f) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal; (g) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (h) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (i) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager; (k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (l) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (m) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (n) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (o) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (p) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.
Section 303Z1(6), in sub-paragraph (d) of the definition of “enforcement officer” (15)	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of—
Section 303Z14(3)(d) (16) (freezing and forfeiture of money in accounts under Part 5, Chapter 3B: general)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade]; (ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (iii) the Department for Health and Social Care; (iv) the Department for Transport; (v) the Department for Work and Pensions;

(15) Section 303Z1 was inserted by section 16 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and amended by paragraph 14 of Schedule 12 to the Financial Services Act 2021 (c. 22) and S.I. 2018/768 (W. 155).

(16) Section 303Z14 was inserted by section 16 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and amended by paragraph 20 of Schedule 12 to the Financial Services Act 2021 (c. 22) and S.I. 2018/768 (W. 155).

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (vi) the Environment Agency; (vii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (viii) the Food Standards Agency; (ix) the Gambling Commission; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) a local authority; (xiv) the London Fire Commissioner; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru); (xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable); (xx) the Post Office; (xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xxii) the Royal Mail; (xxiii) Transport for London; (xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);
 - (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;
 - (v) the Department for Health and Social Care;
 - (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland);
 - (vii) the Department for Transport;
 - (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority;
 - (ix) the Food Standards Agency;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) the Ministry of Defence; (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable); (xv) the Post Office; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xvii) the Royal Mail.
<p>Section 303Z2(4)(e)(17)</p> <p>(freezing of money in accounts under Part 5, Chapter 3B: senior officers)</p>	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (b) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (c) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (d) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (e) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (f) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7; (g) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (h) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (i) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement; (j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (l) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (m) a local authority and has received relevant training;

(17) Section 303Z2 was inserted by section 16 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and amended by paragraph 15 of Schedule 12 to the Financial Services Act 2021 and S.I. 2018/768 (W. 155).

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (n) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager; (o) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (p) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (q) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7; (r) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager; (s) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector; (t) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (u) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (v) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (w) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level; (x) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—

- (a) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
- (b) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (c) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (d) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
- (e) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
- (f) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (g) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
- (h) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
- (i) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(j) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
	(k) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(l) the Information Commissioner's Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(m) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(n) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(o) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(p) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(q) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.

PART 4

Reference in Part 7 of the 2002 Act (Money Laundering) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland)

Commencement Information

I8 Sch. 1 Pt. 4 in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

Table 4

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
Section 336D(7)(h)(I8) (senior officer for the purposes of section 336A (application to the court to extend the moratorium period))	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of— (a) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7; (b) [^{F1} the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (c) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (d) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;

(**I8**) Section 336D was inserted by section 10(4) of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and amended by [S.I. 2018/768 \(W. 155\)](#).

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2021. (See end of Document for details)

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(e) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(f) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above grade 7;
	(g) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7;
	(h) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(i) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(j) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(k) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
	(l) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(m) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(n) a local authority and has received relevant training;
	(o) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(p) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(q) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(r) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(s) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority and is at or above grade 8C;
	(t) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
	(u) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(v) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(w) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(x) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(y) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(z) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—

- (a) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7;
- (b) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
- (c) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (d) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (e) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
- (f) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
- (g) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
- (h) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
- (i) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
- (j) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
- (k) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
- (l) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
- (m) the Information Commissioner's Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
- (n) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
- (o) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
- (p) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
- (q) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
- (r) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(s) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.

PART 5

References in Chapter 2 of Part 8 of the 2002 Act (Investigations: England and Wales and Northern Ireland)

Commencement Information

19 Sch. 1 Pt. 5 in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

Table 5

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
Section 352(5)(c), (ca) and (cb)(19)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—
Section 353(10)(c), (ca) and (cb)(20)	(a) a National Crime Agency officer;
(search and seizure warrants)	(b) a member of staff of—
	(i) the Competition and Markets Authority;
	(ii) [^F the Department for Business and Trade];
	(iii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;
	(iv) the Department for Health and Social Care;
	(v) the Department for Transport;
	(vi) the Department for Work and Pensions;
	(vii) the Financial Conduct Authority;
	(viii) the Food Standards Agency;
	(ix) the Gambling Commission;
	(x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;
	(xi) the Home Office;

(19) Section 352(5)(c) was inserted by paragraph 7(3) of Schedule 10 to, and amended by section 80(1)(b) of, the Serious Crime Act 2007. Further amendments were made by paragraph 31(b) of Schedule 21 to the Crime and Courts Act 2013 (c. 22), paragraph 12(2)(b) of Schedule 48 to the Finance Act 2013 (c. 29) and paragraph 47(3)(c) of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017. Section 352(5)(ca) and (cb) were inserted by paragraph 47(3)(d) of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017.

(20) Section 353(10)(c) was inserted by paragraph 8(3) of Schedule 10 to, and amended by section 80(3)(b) of, the Serious Crime Act 2007. Further amendments were made by paragraph 32(b) of Schedule 21 to the Crime and Courts Act 2013, paragraph 13(2)(b) of Schedule 48 of the Finance Act 2013 and paragraph 48(5)(c) of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017. Section 353(10)(ca) and (cb) were inserted by paragraph 48(5)(d) of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xii) the Information Commissioner's Office;
	(xiii) a local authority;
	(xiv) the London Fire Commissioner;
	(xv) the Marine Management Organisation;
	(xvi) the Ministry of Defence;
	(xvii) the Pensions Regulator;
	(xviii) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable);
	(xix) the Post Office;
	(xx) the Prudential Regulation Authority;
	(xxi) the Royal Mail;
	(xxii) the Security Industry Authority;
	(xxiii) Transport for London;
	(xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Competition and Markets Authority;
 - (ii) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iv) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);
 - (v) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;
 - (vi) the Department for Health and Social Care;
 - (vii) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland);
 - (viii) the Department for Transport;
 - (ix) the Financial Conduct Authority;
 - (x) the Food Standards Agency;
 - (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;
 - (xii) the Home Office;
 - (xiii) the Information Commissioner's Office;
 - (xiv) the Ministry of Defence;
 - (xv) the Pensions Regulator;

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xvi) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable);
	(xvii) the Post Office;
	(xviii) the Prudential Regulation Authority;
	(xix) the Royal Mail;
	(xx) the Security Industry Authority.
Section 378(1)(b) (confiscation investigations: appropriate officers)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Competition and Markets Authority; (b) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade]; (c) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (d) the Department for Health and Social Care; (e) the Department for Transport; (f) the Department for Work and Pensions; (g) the Environment Agency; (h) the Financial Conduct Authority; (i) the Food Standards Agency; (j) the Gambling Commission; (k) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (l) the Home Office; (m) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (n) a local authority; (o) the London Fire Commissioner; (p) the Marine Management Organisation; (q) the Ministry of Defence; (r) the Ministry of Justice; (s) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru); (t) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority; (u) the Pensions Regulator; (v) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable); (w) the Post Office; (x) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (y) the Royal Mail; (z) the Security Industry Authority; (aa) Transport for London; (bb) Velindre National Health Service Trust.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the Competition and Markets Authority;(b) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);(c) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);(d) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);(e) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;(f) the Department for Health and Social Care;(g) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland);(h) the Department for Transport;(i) the Financial Conduct Authority;(j) the Food Standards Agency;(k) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;(l) the Home Office;(m) the Information Commissioner’s Office;(n) the Ministry of Defence;(o) the Pensions Regulator;(p) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable);(q) the Post Office;(r) the Prudential Regulation Authority;(s) the Royal Mail;(t) the Security Industry Authority.
Section 378(2)(d)(21) (confiscation investigations: senior appropriate officers)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7;(b) [F1the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;(c) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;(d) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;(e) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;(f) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

(21) Section 378(2)(d) was amended by S.I. 2018/285 (W. 54).

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(g) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7;
	(h) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) at or above the grade of Manager, or (ii) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(i) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(j) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(k) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Intelligence Manager or Operations Manager;
	(l) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(m) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(n) a local authority and has received relevant training;
	(o) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager;
	(p) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(q) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(r) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(s) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(t) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority and is at or above grade 8C;
	(u) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
	(v) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(w) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(x) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(y) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(z) the Security Industry Authority and at or above the grade of Investigations Manager;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(aa) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(bb) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).
	In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of—
	(a) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7;
	(b) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
	(c) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
	(d) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
	(e) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(f) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
	(g) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
	(h) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(i) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(j) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(k) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Intelligence Manager or Operations Manager;
	(l) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(m) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(n) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(o) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
	(p) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(q) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (r) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (s) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (t) the Security Industry Authority and is at or above the grade of Investigations Manager.
Section 378(3A)(ab)(22) (detained cash investigations: appropriate officers)	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) [F¹the Department for Business and Trade]; (ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (iii) the Department for Health and Social Care; (iv) the Department for Transport; (v) the Department for Work and Pensions; (vi) the Environment Agency; (vii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (viii) the Food Standards Agency; (ix) the Gambling Commission; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) a local authority; (xiv) the London Fire Commissioner; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru); (xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable); (xx) the Post Office; (xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xxii) the Royal Mail; (xxiii) Transport for London; (xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.

(22) Section 378(3A) was inserted by paragraph 13 of Schedule 10 to the Serious Crime Act 2007 and paragraph (ab) was inserted by section 80(7) of that Act.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a National Crime Agency officer;(b) a member of staff of—<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);(ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);(iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);(iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;(v) the Department for Health and Social Care;(vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland);(vii) the Department for Transport;(viii) the Financial Conduct Authority;(ix) the Food Standards Agency;(x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;(xi) the Home Office;(xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office;(xiii) the Ministry of Defence;(xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable);(xv) the Post Office;(xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority;(xvii) the Royal Mail.
Section 378(3AA)(b)(23) (detained cash investigations: senior appropriate officers)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 3;(b) a member of staff of—<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) [F1the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;(ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;(iii) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;

(23) Section 378(3AA)(b) was inserted by paragraph 27(2) of Schedule 19 to the Crime and Courts Act 2013 and amended by S.I. 2018/285 (W. 54).

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(iv) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(v) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above grade 7;
	(vi) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7;
	(vii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is—
	(aa) at or above the grade of Manager, or
	(bb) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(viii) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(ix) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
	(xi) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(xiii) a local authority and has received relevant training;
	(xiv) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager;
	(xv) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(xvi) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(xvii) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(xx) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xxii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xxiii) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 3;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
 - (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
 - (v) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
 - (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (vii) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
 - (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
 - (ix) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
 - (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority of Enforcement Manager;
 - (xi) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
 - (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
 - (xiii) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector; (xv) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (xvii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.
Section 378(3C)(c)(24) (detained property investigations: appropriate officers)	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade]; (ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (iii) the Department for Health and Social Care; (iv) the Department for Transport; (v) the Department for Work and Pensions; (vi) the Environment Agency; (vii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (viii) the Food Standards Agency; (ix) the Gambling Commission; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) a local authority; (xiv) the London Fire Commissioner; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru); (xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable); (xx) the Post Office; (xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority;

(24) Section 378(3C)(c) was inserted by paragraph 59 of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and was amended [S.I. 2018/768 \(W.155\)](#).

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xxii) the Royal Mail; (xxiii) Transport for London; (xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.
	In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is— (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland); (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland); (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland); (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (v) the Department for Health and Social Care; (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland); (vii) the Department for Transport; (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (ix) the Food Standards Agency; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) the Ministry of Defence; (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable); (xv) the Post Office; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xvii) the Royal Mail.
Section 378(3D)(c)(25) (detained property investigations: senior appropriate officers)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is— (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 3; (b) a member of staff of— (i) [F ¹ the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

(25) Section 378(3D)(c) was inserted by paragraph 59 of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and was amended [S.I. 2018/768 \(W.155\)](#).

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (iii) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (iv) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (v) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above grade 7; (vi) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7; (vii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (aa) at or above the grade of Manager, or (bb) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (viii) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (ix) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager; (xi) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (xiii) a local authority and has received relevant training; (xiv) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager; (xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector; (xx) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xxii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxiii) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 3;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
 - (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
 - (v) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
 - (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (vii) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
 - (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
 - (ix) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
 - (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
 - (xi) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
 - (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;

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<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xiii) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector; (xv) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (xvii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.
<p>Section 378(3E)(c)(26)</p> <p>(frozen funds investigations: appropriate officers)</p>	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) [F¹the Department for Business and Trade]; (ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (iii) the Department for Health and Social Care; (iv) the Department for Transport; (v) the Department for Work and Pensions; (vi) the Environment Agency; (vii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (viii) the Food Standards Agency; (ix) the Gambling Commission; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) a local authority; (xiv) the London Fire Commissioner; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru); (xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable);

(26) Section 378(3E)(c) was inserted by paragraph 59 of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and was amended [S.I. 2018/768 \(W.155\)](#).

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xx) the Post Office; (xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xxii) the Royal Mail; (xxiii) Transport for London; (xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust.
	In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is— (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of — (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland); (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland); (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland); (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (v) the Department for Health and Social Care; (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland); (vii) the Department for Transport; (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (ix) the Food Standards Agency; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xi) the Home Office; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiii) the Ministry of Defence; (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable); (xv) the Post Office; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority; (xvii) the Royal Mail.
Section 378(3F)(c)(27) (frozen funds investigations: senior appropriate officers)	In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is— (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 3; (b) a member of staff of—

(27) Section 378(3F)(c) was inserted by paragraph 59 of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and was amended [S.I. 2018/768 \(W.155\)](#).

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) [F¹the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (ii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (iii) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (iv) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (v) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (vi) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7; (vii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (aa) at or above the grade of Manager, or (bb) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (viii) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (ix) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement; (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager; (xi) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (xiii) a local authority and has received relevant training; (xiv) the London Fire Commissioner and is at or above the grade of grade 6 manager; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7; (xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xix) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(xx) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxi) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xxii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxiii) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(xxiv) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 3;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
 - (ii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iii) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iv) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
 - (v) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
 - (vi) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (vii) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
 - (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
 - (ix) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;

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<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (x) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager; (xi) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (xii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (xiii) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2; (xiv) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector; (xv) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3; (xvi) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager; (xvii) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.
Section 378(4)(a) (money laundering investigations: appropriate officers)	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Competition and Markets Authority; (ii) [F¹the Department for Business and Trade]; (iii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; (iv) the Department for Health and Social Care; (v) the Department for Transport; (vi) the Department for Work and Pensions; (vii) the Environment Agency; (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority; (ix) the Food Standards Agency; (x) the Gambling Commission; (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority; (xii) the Home Office; (xiii) the Information Commissioner’s Office; (xiv) a local authority; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation; (xvi) the Ministry of Defence; (xvii) the Ministry of Justice;

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<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru);
	(xix) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority;
	(xx) the Pensions Regulator;
	(xxi) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable);
	(xxii) the Post Office;
	(xxiii) the Prudential Regulation Authority;
	(xxiv) the Royal Mail;
	(xxv) Transport for London;
	(xxvi) Velindre National Health Service Trust.

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Competition and Markets Authority;
 - (ii) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland);
 - (iv) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland);
 - (v) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs;
 - (vi) the Department for Health and Social Care;
 - (vii) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland);
 - (viii) the Department for Transport;
 - (ix) the Financial Conduct Authority;
 - (x) the Food Standards Agency;
 - (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority;
 - (xii) the Home Office;
 - (xiii) the Information Commissioner's Office;
 - (xiv) the Ministry of Defence;
 - (xv) the Pensions Regulator;
 - (xvi) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable);
 - (xvii) the Post Office;
 - (xviii) the Prudential Regulation Authority;

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<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xix) the Royal Mail.
Section 378(6)(c)(28) (money laundering investigations: senior appropriate officers)	<p>In relation to England and Wales, an accredited financial investigator who is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 2; (b) a member of staff of— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7; (ii) [^{F1}the Department for Business and Trade] and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (iii) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (iv) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7; (v) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement; (vi) the Department for Work and Pensions and is at or above grade 7; (vii) the Environment Agency and is at or above Area Environment Manager—EA grade 7; (viii) the Financial Conduct Authority and is— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (aa) at or above the grade of Manager, or (bb) authorised for this purpose (whether generally or specifically) by a member of staff at or above the grade of Head of Department; (ix) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7; (x) the Gambling Commission and is at or above the grade of Head of Enforcement; (xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager; (xii) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer; (xiii) the Information Commissioner’s Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department; (xiv) a local authority and has received relevant training; (xv) the Marine Management Organisation and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

(28) Section 378(6)(c) was amended by [S.I. 2018/768 \(W.155\)](#).

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(xvi) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(xvii) the Ministry of Justice and is at or above grade 7;
	(xviii) the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru) and is at or above the grade of Senior Manager;
	(xix) the NHS Counter Fraud Authority and is at or above grade 8C;
	(xx) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
	(xxi) a police force in England and Wales (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(xxii) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxiii) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xxiv) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xxv) Transport for London and is at or above the grade of Senior Management Level;
	(xxvi) Velindre National Health Service Trust and is at or above the grade of Operations Fraud Manager (pay band 8B).

In relation to Northern Ireland, an accredited financial investigator who is—

- (a) a National Crime Agency officer at or above grade 2;
- (b) a member of staff of—
 - (i) the Competition and Markets Authority and is at or above grade 7;
 - (ii) the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal or Senior Scientific Officer;
 - (iii) the Department for Communities (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (iv) the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
 - (v) the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Provision of 2002 Act</i>	<i>Description of accredited financial investigator</i>
	(vi) the Department for Health and Social Care and is at or above grade 7;
	(vii) the Department for Infrastructure (of Northern Ireland) and is at or above the grade of Deputy Principal;
	(viii) the Department for Transport and is at or above grade 7 or the grade of Head of Enforcement;
	(ix) the Financial Conduct Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(x) the Food Standards Agency and is at or above grade 7;
	(xi) the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority and is at or above the grade of Enforcement Manager;
	(xii) the Home Office and is at or above the grade of senior executive officer;
	(xiii) the Information Commissioner's Office and is at or above the grade of Head of Department;
	(xiv) the Ministry of Defence and is at or above grade B2;
	(xv) the Pensions Regulator and is at or above the grade of Regulatory Manager;
	(xvi) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (other than a constable) and is at or above a grade equivalent to the rank of inspector;
	(xvii) the Post Office and is at or above the grade of broadband 3;
	(xviii) the Prudential Regulation Authority and is at or above the grade of Manager;
	(xix) the Royal Mail and is at or above the grade of broadband 3.

SCHEDULE 2

Article 4

Revocations

1. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) Order 2009(29).

Commencement Information

I10 Sch. 2 para. 1 in force at 28.6.2021, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

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2. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (Amendment) Order 2009(30).

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Commencement Information

I11 Sch. 2 para. 2 in force at 28.6.2021, see **art. 1(2)**

3. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (England and Wales) Order 2015(31).

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Commencement Information

I12 Sch. 2 para. 3 in force at 28.6.2021, see **art. 1(2)**

4. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (Amendment) Order 2017(32).

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Commencement Information

I13 Sch. 2 para. 4 in force at 28.6.2021, see **art. 1(2)**

5. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2018(33).

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Commencement Information

I14 Sch. 2 para. 5 in force at 28.6.2021, see **art. 1(2)**

6. The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2020(34).

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Commencement Information

I15 Sch. 2 para. 6 in force at 28.6.2021, see **art. 1(2)**

(30) S.I. 2009/2707.

(31) S.I. 2015/1853.

(32) S.I. 2017/74.

(33) S.I. 2018/318.

(34) S.I. 2020/1078.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (c. 29) (the “2002 Act”) provides for a system of accreditation for financial investigators, who are known as ‘accredited financial investigators’. The 2002 Act makes reference to accredited financial investigators throughout. The main purpose of doing so is to allow, in certain circumstances, accredited financial investigators to discharge powers or other functions which are granted to law enforcement officers (such as, for example, police constables or Serious Fraud Office officers).

Section 453 of the 2002 Act allows the Secretary of State to provide that references in specific provisions of the 2002 Act to accredited financial investigators are to be read as references to accredited financial investigators of particular descriptions set out by order.

This Order exercises that power. The lists are set out in the tables in Schedule 1. The first column specifies the provision of the Act where the reference or references are found. The second column specifies the description of the accredited financial investigators that may use the power or exercise the function. In certain cases, powers or functions are reserved to senior members of the organisation concerned and, in such cases, the second column also describes the persons to whom the power is reserved.

The Order revokes and replaces the Orders set out in Schedule 2. These Orders previously made similar provision in this area. The main changes are to add the Department for Transport, the Information Commissioner’s Office, the London Fire Commissioner and, in relation to Northern Ireland, the Department for the Economy (of Northern Ireland). Further changes include providing for greater consistency as to when powers are available to particular organisations (including in relation to executive agencies of government departments) and dealing with changes in the names of organisations since the original Orders were made.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2021.