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SCHEDULE **E+W**

POWERS OF ENFORCEMENT

Warrant to enter a dwelling

- 3 (1) An inspector may not enter any premises used wholly or mainly as a dwelling unless—
- (a) the occupier of the premises or other person appearing to the inspector to be in charge of the premises consents, or
 - (b) a justice of the peace has issued a warrant, on the application of an inspector, authorising the inspector to enter the premises.
- (2) A justice of the peace may issue a warrant if satisfied on sworn information in writing that—
- (a) there are reasonable grounds for suspecting that—
 - (i) an offence under section 1 is being, has been or is about to be committed on the premises, or
 - (ii) evidence an offence under section 1 is being, has been or is about to be committed may be found on the premises; and
 - (b) any of conditions 1, 2, 3 or 4 is met.
- (3) Condition 1 is that—
- (a) a request to enter the premises has been refused or is likely to be refused, and
 - (b) notice of the intention to apply for a warrant has been given to the occupier of the premises or to a person appearing to the inspector to be in charge of the premises.
- (4) Condition 2 is that requesting to enter the premises or giving notice of intention to apply for a warrant under this paragraph might defeat the object of the entry.
- (5) Condition 3 is that the premises are unoccupied.
- (6) Condition 4 is that—
- (a) the occupier of the premises is temporarily absent, and
 - (b) it might defeat the object of entry to wait for the occupier's return.

Commencement Information

II [Sch. para. 3](#) in force at 1.12.2020, see [s. 12](#)

- 4 A warrant issued under paragraph 3—
- (a) authorises entry on one occasion;
 - (b) must be executed within 28 days beginning with the date it was issued.

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I2 [Sch. para. 4](#) in force at 1.12.2020, see [s. 12](#)

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