

# Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016

## PART 1

#### ARREST AND CUSTODY

#### **CHAPTER 6**

#### POLICE POWERS AND DUTIES

# Powers of police

### 48 Power of search etc. on arrest

- (1) A constable may exercise in relation to a person to whom subsection (2) applies any power of the type described in section 47(2) which the constable would be able to exercise by virtue of a rule of law if the person had been charged with the relevant offence by a constable.
- (2) This subsection applies to a person who—
  - (a) is in police custody having been arrested without a warrant, and
  - (b) has not, since being arrested, been charged with an offence by a constable.
- (3) In subsection (1), "the relevant offence" means the offence in connection with which the person is in police custody.