



# Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008

## 2008 CHAPTER 4

### PART 6

#### INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN RELATION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE MATTERS

##### *Recognition of financial penalties: requests to other member States*

#### **81 Procedure on issue of certificate: England and Wales**

- (1) This section applies where—
  - (a) a magistrates' court or a fines officer has, under paragraph 39(3)(b) or 40 of Schedule 5 to the Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), issued a certificate requesting enforcement under the Framework Decision on financial penalties, or
  - (b) the designated officer for a magistrates' court has issued such a certificate under section 80(2) of this Act.
- (2) The fines officer (in the case of a certificate issued by the officer) or the designated officer for the magistrates' court (in any other case) must give the Lord Chancellor the certificate, together with a certified copy of the decision requiring payment of the financial penalty.
- (3) On receipt of the documents mentioned in subsection (2), the Lord Chancellor must give those documents to the central authority or competent authority of the member State in which the person required to pay the penalty appears to be normally resident or (as the case may be) to have property or income.
- (4) Where a certified copy of the decision is given to the central authority or competent authority of a member State in accordance with subsection (3), no further steps to enforce the decision may be taken in England and Wales except in accordance with provision made by order by the Lord Chancellor.

*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (5) Where the person required to pay the financial penalty is a body corporate, subsection (3) applies as if the reference to the member State in which the person appears to be normally resident were a reference to the member State in which the person appears to have its registered office.