

2014 CHAPTER 4

Enforcement powers, etc.

Obstruction, etc. of authorised officers

15.—(1) A person who—

- (a) intentionally obstructs an authorised officer who is acting in the proper exercise of the officer's functions under this Act, or
- (b) without reasonable cause fails to comply with any requirement made of the person by such an officer who is so acting,

commits an offence.

(2) A person who, in giving any information which is properly required of the person by an authorised officer, makes a statement which is false in a material particular commits an offence.

- (3) A person does not commit an offence under subsection (2) if—
 - (a) the person did not know the material particular was false; and
 - (b) the person had reasonable grounds to believe that it was true.

(4) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) or (2) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.