



## 2015 CHAPTER 9

### PART 8

#### VIOLENT OFFENCES PREVENTION ORDERS

##### *Notification requirements*

##### **Notification requirements: absence from notified residence**

**68.—(1)** This section applies to an offender subject to notification requirements at any time if the last home address notified by the offender under section 65(1), 66(1) or 67(1) was an address in Northern Ireland such as is mentioned in section 65(4)(a) (sole or main residence).

(2) If the offender intends to be absent from that home address for a period of more than 3 days (“the relevant period”), the offender must, not less than 12 hours before leaving that home address, notify to the police the information set out in subsection (3).

(3) The information is—

(a) the date on which the offender will leave that home address;

(b) such details as the offender holds about—

(i) the offender's travel arrangements during the relevant period;

(ii) the offender's accommodation arrangements during that period;

(iii) the offender's date of return to that address.

(4) In this section—

“travel arrangements” include, in particular, the means of transport to be used and the dates of travel,

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“accommodation arrangements” include, in particular, the address of any accommodation at which the relevant offender will spend the night during the relevant period and the nature of that accommodation.

(5) Where—

- (a) an offender has given a notification under subsection (2), and
- (b) at any time before that mentioned in that subsection, the information notified becomes inaccurate or incomplete,

the offender must give a further notification under subsection (2).

(6) Where an offender—

- (a) has notified a date of return to the offender's home address, but
- (b) returns to that home address on a date other than that notified,

the offender must notify the date of the offender's actual return to the police within 3 days of the actual return.

(7) Nothing in this section requires an offender to notify any information which falls to be notified in accordance with a requirement imposed by regulations under section 69.

(8) In calculating the relevant period for the purposes of this section there is to be disregarded—

- (a) any period or periods which the offender intends to spend at, or travelling directly to or from, an address of the kind mentioned in section 65(2)(g) notified to the police under section 65(1), 66(1) or 67(1);
- (b) any period or periods which the offender intends to spend at, or travelling directly to or from, any premises, if his stay at those premises would give rise to a requirement to notify the address of those premises under section 66(2)(c).

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**Commencement Information**

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