
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Proceeds of Crime (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTAL

Articles 50 and 51: supplementary provisions

52.—(1) For the purposes of Articles 23 and 24 of the Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (access to, and copying and retention of, seized material)—

- (a) an investigation into—
 - (i) whether any person has benefited from any conduct to which Article 49 applies; or
 - (ii) the extent or whereabouts of the proceeds of any such conduct;shall be treated (so far as that would not otherwise be the case) as if it were an investigation of, or in connection with, an offence, and
- (b) material produced in pursuance of an order under Article 50(2)(a) shall be treated as if it were material seized by a constable.

(2) In Articles 50 and 51—

- (a) “excluded material”, “items subject to legal privilege” and “premises” have the same meanings as in that Order of 1989; and
- (b) references to a person benefiting from any conduct to which Article 49 applies other than drug trafficking, in relation to conduct which is not an offence to which this Order applies but would be if it had occurred in Northern Ireland, shall be construed in accordance with Article 2(6) and (7) as if it had so occurred.