



Public Order Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 64

PART II

PROCESSIONS AND ASSEMBLIES

15 Delegation.

- (1) The chief officer of police may delegate, to such extent and subject to such conditions as he may specify, any of his functions under sections 12 to [F¹14A] to [F²an] assistant chief constable; and references in those sections to the person delegating shall be construed accordingly.
- [F³(2) Subsection (1) has effect—
- (a) in the City of London as if “an assistant chief constable” read “an assistant commissioner of police or a commander”, and
 - (b) in the metropolitan police district as if “an assistant chief constable” read “an assistant commissioner of police, a deputy assistant commissioner of police or a commander”.]

[F⁴(3) The chief constable of the British Transport Police Force may delegate, to such extent and subject to such conditions as the chief constable may specify, any of the chief constable’s functions under sections 14 to 14A to an assistant chief constable of that Force; and references in those sections to the person delegating shall be construed accordingly.

(4) The chief constable of the Ministry of Defence Police may delegate, to such extent and subject to such conditions as the chief constable may specify, any of the chief constable’s functions under sections 14 to 14A to a deputy chief constable or assistant chief constable of that force; and references in those sections to the person delegating shall be construed accordingly.]

Textual Amendments

F1 Word in s. 15(1) substituted (1.3.1998) by 1994 c. 33, s. 168(2), Sch. 10 para. 60; S.I. 1998/277, art. 3

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- F2** Words in s. 15(1) substituted (1.4.1995) by 1994 c. 29, s. 44, **Sch. 5 Pt. II para. 37**; S.I. 1994/3262, art. 4, **Sch.**
- F3** S. 15(2) substituted (3.5.2023) by Public Order Act 2023 (c. 15), **ss. 15, 35(5)**; S.I. 2023/502, reg. 2(e)
- F4** S. 15(3)(4) inserted (2.7.2023) by Public Order Act 2023 (c. 15), **ss. 16(5), 35(4)**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 4B inserted by [2023 c. 47 s. 1](#)