



# Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

## 1999 CHAPTER 33

### PART VII

#### POWER TO ARREST, SEARCH AND FINGERPRINT

##### *Use of force*

#### **146 Use of force.**

- (1) An immigration officer exercising any power conferred on him by [<sup>F1</sup>the Immigration Acts] may, if necessary, use reasonable force.
- [<sup>F2</sup>(2) A person exercising a power under any of the following may if necessary use reasonable force—
- (a) section 28CA, 28FA or 28FB of the 1971 Act (business premises: entry to arrest or search),
  - (b) section 141 or 142 of this Act, and
  - (c) regulations under section 144 of this Act.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 146(1) substituted (28.7.2014) by [Immigration Act 2014 \(c. 22\), s. 75\(3\), Sch. 1 para. 5; S.I. 2014/1820, art. 3\(y\)](#)
- F2** S. 146(2) substituted (8.1.2003) by [Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 \(c. 41\), s. 153\(2\)](#) (with s. 159); [S.I. 2002/2811, art. 2, Sch.](#)

#### **Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 146 partly in force; s. 146(1) in force at Royal Assent, see s. 170(3)(o)

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 28/07/2014.

**Changes to legislation:**

Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, Cross Heading: Use of force is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 02 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.