



Licensing Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 17

PART 7

OFFENCES

Drunkenness and disorderly conduct

143 Failure to leave licensed premises etc.

- (1) A person who is drunk or disorderly commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse—
- (a) he fails to leave relevant premises when requested to do so by a constable or by a person to whom subsection (2) applies, or
 - (b) he enters or attempts to enter relevant premises after a constable or a person to whom subsection (2) applies has requested him not to enter.
- (2) This subsection applies—
- (a) to any person who works at the premises in a capacity, whether paid or unpaid, which authorises him to make such a request,
 - (b) in the case of licensed premises, to—
 - (i) the holder of a premises licence in respect of the premises, or
 - (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) under such a licence,
 - (c) in the case of premises in respect of which a club premises certificate has effect, to any member or officer of the club which holds the certificate who is present on the premises in a capacity which enables him to make such a request, and
 - (d) in the case of premises which may be used for a permitted temporary activity by virtue of Part 5, to the premises user in relation to the temporary event notice in question.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 1 on the standard scale.

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- (4) On being requested to do so by a person to whom subsection (2) applies, a constable must—
- (a) help to expel from relevant premises a person who is drunk or disorderly;
 - (b) help to prevent such a person from entering relevant premises.

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- s. 143(2) word omitted by 2015 c. 20 s. 67(6)(a)

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- s. 140(2)(e) inserted by 2015 c. 20 s. 67(4)(b)
- s. 141(2)(e) inserted by 2015 c. 20 s. 67(5)(b)
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- s. 144(2)(e) inserted by 2015 c. 20 s. 67(7)(b)
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- s. 153(4)(d) inserted by 2015 c. 20 s. 67(9)(b)
- s. 197(3)(cza) inserted by 2015 c. 20 s. 67(12)(a)
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