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# SCHEDULES

# SCHEDULE 5 E+W

# COLLECTION OF FINES [<sup>F1</sup>AND OTHER SUMS IMPOSED ON CONVICTION]

## **Textual Amendments**

**F1** Sch. 5: words in heading inserted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 5 (with transitional provision in art. 3)

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1 Sch. 5 applied (with modifications) (temp. from 23.3.2004 for certain purposes, 29.3.2004 for certain further purposes, 5.4.2004 for all purposes to 31.3.2006) by S.I. 2004/175, arts. 1-3, Sch. (as amended by S.I. 2004/1406, arts. 3, 4; S.I. 2005/487, arts. 4-6; S.I. 2005/642, art. 2; S.I. 2005/2410, art. 2; S.I. 2005/3166, art. 2)
- C1 Sch. 5 modified (temp. from 27.3.2006 to 2.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Pilot Scheme) and Discharge of Fines by Unpaid Work (Pilot Schemes) (Amendment) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/502), arts. 1(1)(b)(2), 5 (with transitional provision in art. 4)
- C1 Sch. 5 restricted (prosp.) by Education and Skills Act 2008 (c. 25), ss. 56-58, 173(4)
- C1 Sch. 5 applied (1.10.2009) by Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4), ss. 85(7)(b), 153; S.I. 2009/2606, art. 2(f)

## PART 9 E+W

# [<sup>F1</sup>FURTHER STEPS]

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Sch. 5 Pt. 9: heading substituted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 23

*Effect of compliance with requirement to contact fines officer* 

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#### **Textual Amendments**

F2 Sch. 5 para. 35 omitted (3.7.2006) by virtue of The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 24(a)

## **Commencement Information**

Sch. 5 para. 35 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 35 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2);
 Sch. 5 para. 35 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 35 in

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force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, **art. 4(b)**; Sch. 5 para. 35 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, **art. 4(c)** 

Application to fines officer after increase for variation of payment terms

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## **Textual Amendments**

F3 Sch. 5 para. 36 omitted (3.7.2006) by virtue of The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 24(b)

## **Commencement Information**

I2 Sch. 5 para. 36 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 36 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 36 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 36 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 36 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

Functions of fines officer in relation to defaulters: referral or further steps notice

- 37 [<sup>F4</sup>(1) This paragraph applies if—
  - (a) P is in default on a collection order,
  - (b) paragraph 26 does not apply, and
  - (c) none of the following is pending—
    - (i) an application under paragraph 31(1) (application to fines officer for variation and reserve terms),
    - (ii) an appeal under paragraph 32(1) (appeal against decision of fines officer),
    - (iii) a reference under paragraph 42 (power of fines officer to refer case to magistrates' court).

- (6) The fines officer must—
  - (a) refer P's case to the magistrates' court, or
  - (b) deliver to P a notice (a "further steps notice") that he intends to take one or more of the steps listed in paragraph 38.
- (7) Any steps that the fines officer intends to take must be specified in the notice.
- (8) A further steps notice must be in writing and dated.
- (9) P may, within 10 working days from the date of the further steps notice, appeal to the magistrates' court against it.

## **Textual Amendments**

- F4 Sch. 5 para. 37(1) substituted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 25(a)
- **F5** Sch. 5 para. 37(2)-(5) omitted (3.7.2006) by virtue of The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **25(b)**

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## **Commencement Information**

I3 Sch. 5 para. 37 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 37 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 37 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 37 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 37 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

## The range of further steps available against defaulters

- 38 (1) The steps referred to in paragraphs 37(6)(b) and 39(3) and (4) (powers to take further steps) are—
  - (a) issuing a warrant of distress for the purpose of levying the sum due;
  - (b) registering the sum in the register of judgments and orders required to be kept by section 98;
  - (c) making an attachment of earnings order or an application for benefit deductions;
  - (d) subject to sub-paragraph (3), making a clamping order;
  - [<sup>F6</sup>(e) taking proceedings by virtue of section 87(1) of the 1980 Act (enforcement of payment of fines by High Court and county court).]
  - [<sup>F7</sup>(f) subject to sub-paragraph (4), issuing a certificate requesting enforcement under the Framework Decision on financial penalties;]
  - (2) A clamping order is an order—
    - (a) that a motor vehicle be fitted with an immobilisation device ("clamped"), and
    - (b) which complies with any requirements that are imposed by fines collection regulations under paragraph 46 with respect to the making of clamping orders.
  - (3) A clamping order must not be made except in relation to a vehicle which is registered under the Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994 in P's name.
  - [<sup>F8</sup>(4) A certificate requesting enforcement under the Framework Decision on financial penalties may only be issued where—
    - (a) the sum due is a financial penalty within the meaning of section 80 of the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008, and
    - (b) it appears to the fines officer or the court that P is normally resident, or has property or income, in a member State other than the United Kingdom.
    - (5) In this paragraph, references to a certificate requesting enforcement under the Framework Decision on financial penalties are to be construed in accordance with section 92(3) of the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008.]

## **Textual Amendments**

- F6 Sch. 5 para. 38(1)(e) substituted (3.7.2006) by virtue of The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 26
- F7 Sch. 5 para. 38(1)(f) inserted (1.10.2009) by Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4), ss. 80(1)
  (a), 153 (with Sch. 27 para. 29(1)); S.I. 2009/2606, art. 2(a)
- F8 Sch. 5 para. 38(4)(5) inserted (1.10.2009) by Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4), ss. 80(1) (b), 153 (with Sch. 27 para. 29(1)); S.I. 2009/2606, art. 2(a)

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## **Commencement Information**

I4 Sch. 5 para. 38 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 38 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 38 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 38 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 38 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

Powers of court <sup>F9</sup>...

#### **Textual Amendments**

- **F9** Sch. 5 para. 39: words in heading omitted (3.7.2006) by virtue of The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **27(d)**
- 39 (1) This paragraph applies if the magistrates' court is hearing P's case following—
  - (a)  $F^{10}$  ....
  - (b) a referral under paragraph 37(6)(a) (functions of fines officer in relation to defaulters), or
  - (c) an appeal under paragraph 37(9) (appeal against a further steps notice).
  - (2) <sup>F10</sup>.....
  - (3) On  $[^{F11}a]$  referral falling within sub-paragraph  $[^{F12}(1)(b)]$ , the court may—
    - (a) vary the payment terms (or the reserve terms);
    - (b) take any of the steps listed in paragraph 38;
    - (c) discharge the order and exercise any of its standard powers in respect of persons liable to pay fines [<sup>F13</sup>or other sums].

(4) On an appeal against a further steps notice, the court may-

- (a) confirm or quash the notice;
- (b) vary the notice so as to specify any step listed in paragraph 38;
- (c) vary the payment terms (or the reserve terms);
- (d) discharge the order and exercise any of its standard powers in respect of persons liable to pay fines [<sup>F14</sup> or other sums].

## **Textual Amendments**

- **F10** Sch. 5 para. 39(1)(a)(2) omitted (3.7.2006) by virtue of The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **27(a)**
- F11 Words in Sch. 5 para. 39(3) substituted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 27(b)(i)
- **F12** Words in Sch. 5 para. 39(3) substituted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **27(b)(ii)**
- **F13** Words in Sch. 5 para. 39(3)(c) inserted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **27(c)(i)**
- F14 Words in Sch. 5 para. 39(4)(d) inserted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 27(c)(ii)

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## **Commencement Information**

I5 Sch. 5 para. 39 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 39 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 39 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 39 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 39 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

## Implementation of further steps notice

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- (a) P does not appeal within 10 working days against a further steps notice, or
- (b) he does so but the further steps notice is confirmed or varied,

any step specified in the notice (or the notice as varied) may be taken.

### **Commencement Information**

If—

I6 Sch. 5 para. 40 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 40 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 40 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 40 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 40 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

## Power to order sale of clamped vehicle

- 41 (1) This paragraph applies if—
  - (a) a motor vehicle has been clamped under a clamping order, and
  - (b) at the end of the period specified in fines collection regulations under paragraph 46 any part of the sum due is unpaid.
  - (2) The magistrates' court may order that—
    - (a) the vehicle is to be sold or otherwise disposed of in accordance with those regulations, and
    - (b) any proceeds are to be applied in accordance with those regulations in discharging P's liability in respect of the sum due.

### **Commencement Information**

I7 Sch. 5 para. 41 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 41 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 41 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 41 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 41 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

## Power of fines officer to refer case to magistrates' court

- 42 (1) The fines officer may refer a case to the magistrates' court at any time during the period which—
  - (a) begins the day after the collection order is made, and
  - (b) ends with the date on which—
    - (i) the sum due (including any increase to which he remains liable) is paid, or

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(ii) the order is discharged.

- (2) On a referral under this paragraph, the court may-
  - (a) confirm or vary the payment terms (or the reserve terms),
  - [<sup>F15</sup>(b) exercise any of its standard powers in respect of persons liable to pay fines or other sums, or]
    - (c) <sup>F16</sup>... exercise a power it could exercise under any other paragraph.
- [<sup>F17</sup>(2A) Where the court exercises any of its standard powers under sub-paragraph (2)(b) it may also discharge the order.]
  - (3) Fines collection regulations may provide for the fines officer to have the power to issue a summons for the purpose of ensuring that P attends a magistrates' court to whom P's case has been referred under this paragraph or paragraph 37.

## **Textual Amendments**

- **F15** Sch. 5 para. 42(2)(b) substituted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **28(a)(i)**
- **F16** Words in Sch. 5 para. 42(2)(c) omitted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, **28(a)(ii)**
- F17 Sch. 5 para. 42A(2A) inserted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 28(b)

### **Commencement Information**

I8 Sch. 5 para. 42 wholly in force at 5.4.2004; Sch. 5 para. 42 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 110(1)(2); Sch. 5 para. 42 in force for certain purposes at 23.2.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(a); Sch. 5 para. 42 in force for certain further purposes at 29.3.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(b); Sch. 5 para. 42 in force for all purposes at 5.4.2004 by S.I. 2004/174, art. 4(c)

## *Increase in fine by court*

[<sup>F18</sup>42A(1) This paragraph applies where—

- (a) P is in default on a collection order,
- (b) the sum due consists of or includes a fine, and
- (c) the fines officer has referred P's case to the court—
  - (i) under paragraph 37(6)(a), or
  - (ii) after taking any of the steps listed in paragraph 38.
- (2) Where the court is satisfied that the default is due to P's wilful refusal or culpable neglect, the court may increase the fine which is the subject of the order.
- (3) But the court may not increase any other sum which is the subject of the order.
- (4) The amount of the increase is to be determined in accordance with fines collection regulations but must not be greater than 50% of the fine.
- (5) The increase is given effect by treating it as part of the fine imposed on P by his conviction.]

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## **Textual Amendments**

F18 Sch. 5 para. 42A inserted (3.7.2006) by The Collection of Fines (Final Scheme) Order (S.I. 2006/1737), arts. 1, 29

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