



# Housing Act 2004

## 2004 CHAPTER 34

### PART 7

#### SUPPLEMENTARY AND FINAL PROVISIONS

##### *Enforcement*

#### **241 Penalty for obstruction**

- (1) A person who obstructs a relevant person in the performance of anything which, by virtue of any of Parts 1 to 4 or this Part, that person is required or authorised to do commits an offence.
- (2) In proceedings against a person for an offence under subsection (1) it is a defence that he had a reasonable excuse for obstructing the relevant person.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.
- (4) In this section “relevant person” means an officer of a local housing authority or any person authorised to enter premises by virtue of any of Parts 1 to 4 or section 239 or 240.

#### **Commencement Information**

- II** S. 241 wholly in force at 16.6.2006; s. 241 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 270(4)(5); s. 241 in force for E. at 6.4.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1060, art. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#) (with [Sch.](#)); s. 241 in force for W. at 16.6.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1535, art. 2\(a\)](#) (with [Sch.](#))

**Changes to legislation:**

Housing Act 2004, Section 241 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 27 September 2023. 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.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)

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

- s. 66(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 66(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 89(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 89(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 139(7A)(7B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 127\(3\)](#)