



# Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007

## 2007 CHAPTER 6

### *Powers*

#### **21 Stop and question**

- (1) A member of Her Majesty's forces on duty or a constable may stop a person for so long as is necessary to question him to ascertain his identity and movements.
- (2) A member of Her Majesty's forces on duty may stop a person for so long as is necessary to question him to ascertain—
  - (a) what he knows about a recent explosion or another recent incident endangering life;
  - (b) what he knows about a person killed or injured in a recent explosion or incident.
- (3) A person commits an offence if he—
  - (a) fails to stop when required to do so under this section,
  - (b) refuses to answer a question addressed to him under this section, or
  - (c) fails to answer to the best of his knowledge and ability a question addressed to him under this section.
- (4) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (5) A power to stop a person under this section includes a power to stop a vehicle (other than an aircraft which is airborne).

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 01/08/2007.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007, Section 21.