



# Psychoactive Substances Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 2

### *Retention and disposal of items*

#### **49 Retention of seized items**

- (1) This section applies to any item seized under section 43.
- (2) The item may be retained so long as is necessary in all the circumstances and in particular—
  - (a) for use as evidence at a trial for an offence under this Act, or
  - (b) for forensic examination or for investigation in connection with an offence under this Act.
- (3) No item may be retained for either of the purposes mentioned in subsection (2) if a photograph or a copy would be sufficient for that purpose.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** S. 49 in force at 26.5.2016 by S.I. 2016/553, reg. 2

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Psychoactive Substances Act 2016, Section 49.