



# Investigatory Powers Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 25

### PART 5

#### EQUIPMENT INTERFERENCE

##### *Implementation of warrants*

#### **126 Implementation of warrants**

- (1) In giving effect to a targeted equipment interference warrant, the person to whom it is addressed (“the implementing authority”) may (in addition to acting alone) act through, or together with, such other persons as the implementing authority may require (whether under subsection (2) or otherwise) to provide the authority with assistance in giving effect to the warrant.
- (2) For the purpose of requiring any person to provide assistance in relation to a targeted equipment interference warrant, the implementing authority may—
  - (a) serve a copy of the warrant on any person whom the implementing authority considers may be able to provide such assistance, or
  - (b) make arrangements for the service of a copy of the warrant on any such person.
- (3) A copy of a warrant may be served under subsection (2) on a person outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of requiring the person to provide such assistance in the form of conduct outside the United Kingdom.
- (4) For the purposes of this Act, the provision of assistance in giving effect to a targeted equipment interference warrant includes any disclosure to the implementing authority, or to persons acting on that person's behalf, of material obtained under the warrant.
- (5) The references in subsections (2) and (3) and sections 127 and 128 to the service of a copy of a warrant include—
  - (a) the service of a copy of one or more schedules contained in the warrant with the omission of the remainder of the warrant, and

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- (b) the service of a copy of the warrant with the omission of any schedule contained in it.

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**Commencement Information**

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

- Sch. 3 para. 8A and cross-heading inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 18 para. 10\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 20(2)(ha)(hb) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 18 para. 10\(3\)\(a\)](#)