



Investigatory Powers Act 2016

2016 CHAPTER 25

PART 3

AUTHORISATIONS FOR OBTAINING COMMUNICATIONS DATA

Collaboration agreements

79 Collaboration agreements: supplementary

- (1) A collaboration agreement may provide for payments to be made between parties to the agreement.
- (2) A collaboration agreement—
 - (a) must be in writing,
 - (b) may be varied by a subsequent collaboration agreement, and
 - (c) may be brought to an end by agreement between the parties to it.
- (3) A person who makes a collaboration agreement must—
 - (a) publish the agreement, or
 - (b) publish the fact that the agreement has been made and such other details about it as the person considers appropriate.
- (4) A relevant public authority may enter into a collaboration agreement as a supplying authority, a subscribing authority or both (whether or not it would have power to do so apart from this section).
- (5) The Secretary of State may, after consulting a relevant public authority, direct it to enter into a collaboration agreement if the Secretary of State considers that entering into the agreement would assist the effective exercise by the authority, or another relevant public authority, of its functions under this Part.
- (6) A code of practice under Schedule 7 must include guidance to relevant public authorities about collaboration agreements.

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- (7) The guidance must include guidance about the criteria the Secretary of State will use in considering whether a collaboration agreement is appropriate for a relevant public authority.

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\(3\)\(a\)](#)