



# Riot Compensation Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 8

### *Claims for compensation*

#### **1 Claims for compensation for riot damage etc**

(1) Where—

- (a) a person's property has been damaged, destroyed or stolen in the course of a riot,
- (b) the property is property in respect of which a claim may be made under this subsection (see section 2(1)), and
- (c) the property was not insured, or was not adequately insured, for the damage, destruction or theft,

the person may claim compensation from the appropriate local policing body.

(2) Where—

- (a) a person's property has been damaged, destroyed or stolen in the course of a riot,
- (b) the property is property in respect of which a claim may be made under this subsection (see section 2(2)), and
- (c) an insurance company has (to any extent) met a claim by the person under a policy of insurance in respect of the damage, destruction or theft,

the insurance company may claim compensation from the appropriate local policing body.

- (3) The appropriate local policing body is the local policing body which is responsible for the police area in which the property was situated at the time of the riot.

- (4) A claim under this section must be made in accordance with regulations made under section 3.

- (5) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c), property is not adequately insured if—

- (a) it is insured for an amount that is less than its value, or
- (b) it is insured subject to an excess.

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- (6) In this Act, “riot” is to be construed in accordance with section 1 of the Public Order Act 1986, but does not include a riot in any of the following places—
- (a) a prison, young offender institution or secure training centre;
  - (b) a hospital where persons are detained under Part 2 or 3 of the Mental Health Act 1983;
  - (c) a removal centre, a short-term holding facility or pre-departure accommodation (within the meaning given by section 147 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999).

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**Commencement Information**

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