



# Policing and Crime Act 2017

## 2017 CHAPTER 3

### PART 9

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

### CHAPTER 1

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### *Requirements to confirm nationality*

#### **159 Requirement to state nationality**

In the UK Borders Act 2007, after section 43 (supply of police information) insert—

##### **“43A Requirement to state nationality**

- (1) An individual who is arrested for an offence must state his or her nationality if required to do so by an immigration officer or a constable in accordance with this section.
- (2) A requirement may be imposed on an individual under subsection (1) only if the immigration officer or constable suspects that the individual may not be a British citizen.
- (3) When imposing a requirement under subsection (1) the immigration officer or constable must inform the individual that an offence may be committed if the individual fails to comply with a requirement imposed under this section.
- (4) The immigration officer or constable must make a written record of the imposition of a requirement under subsection (1) as soon as practicable.
- (5) The written record is to be made in the presence of the individual where this is practicable.

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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### **43B Offence of not giving nationality**

- (1) A person commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse, the person fails to comply with a requirement imposed in accordance with section 43A, whether by providing false or incomplete information or by providing no information.
- (2) Information provided by a person in response to a requirement imposed in accordance with section 43A is not admissible in evidence in criminal proceedings against that person other than proceedings for an offence under this section.
- (3) A person who is guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction in England and Wales, to either or both of the following—
    - (i) imprisonment for a term not exceeding 51 weeks (or 6 months if the offence was committed before the commencement of section 281(5) of the Criminal Justice Act 2003);
    - (ii) a fine;
  - (b) on summary conviction in Northern Ireland, to either or both of the following—
    - (i) imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months;
    - (ii) a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.”