



House to House Collections Act 1939

1939 CHAPTER 44 2 and 3 Geo 6

4 Regulations. **E+W**

- (1) The [^{F1}Secretary of State] may make regulations for prescribing anything which by this Act is required to be prescribed, and for regulating the manner in which collections, in respect of which licences have been granted or orders have been made under the last foregoing section, may be carried out and the conduct of promoters and collectors in relation to such collections.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred by the foregoing subsection, regulations made thereunder may make provision for all or any of the following matters, that is to say:—
 - (a) for requiring and regulating the use by collectors, of prescribed badges and prescribed certificates of authority, and the issue, custody, production and return thereof, and, in particular, for requiring collectors on demand by a police constable or by any occupant of a house visited to produce their certificates of authority;
 - (b) in the case of collections in respect of which licences have been granted, for requiring that the prescribed certificates of authority of the collectors shall be authenticated in a manner approved by the chief officer of police for the area in respect of which the licence was granted, and that their prescribed badges shall have inserted therein or annexed thereto in a manner and form so approved a general indication of the purpose of the collection;
 - (c) for prohibiting persons below a prescribed age from acting, and others from causing them to act, as collectors;
 - (d) for preventing annoyance to the occupants of houses visited by collectors;
 - (e) for requiring the prescribed information with respect to the expenses, proceeds and application of the proceeds of collections to be furnished, in the case of collections in respect of which licences have been granted, by the person to whom the licence was granted to the [^{F2}police] authority by whom it was granted, and, in the case of collections in respect of which an order has been made, by the person thereby exempted from the provisions of subsection (2) of section one of this Act to the [^{F1}Secretary of State], and for requiring the information furnished to be vouched and authenticated in such manner as may be prescribed.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the House to House Collections Act 1939, Section 4. (See end of Document for details)

- (3) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions of a regulation made under this Act shall be guilty of an offence.
- (4) Any regulations made under this Act shall be laid before Parliament as soon as may be after they are made, and if either House of Parliament, within the period of forty days beginning with the date on which the regulations are laid before it, resolves that the regulations be annulled, the regulations shall thereupon become void, without prejudice, however, to anything previously done thereunder or to the making of new regulations.

In reckoning any such period of forty days as aforesaid, no account shall be taken of any time during which Parliament is dissolved or prorogued or during which both Houses are adjourned for more than four days.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 4(1)(2) substituted (9.11.2016) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Elections, Referendums, Third Sector and Information\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/997\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 2(c)** (with art. 12)
- F2** Word repealed (E.W.) by [Local Government Act 1972 \(c. 70\)](#), **Sch. 30**
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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 4 transfer of functions (13.12.2006) by [Transfer of Functions \(Third Sector, Communities and Equality\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2951\)](#), arts. 1(2), **3(2)(a)**
- C2** S. 4 functions transferred (9.11.2016) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Elections, Referendums, Third Sector and Information\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/997\)](#), arts. 1(2), **10(2)(a)** (with arts. 10(3), 11, 12)

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