
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Police (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2020

PART 2

Handling of complaints, conduct matters and DSI matters

Recording of complaints: copies of complaints etc.

3.—(1) Where a local policing body or chief officer records a complaint under paragraph 2(6A) or 4A(4) of Schedule 3 (duties to record complaints)⁽¹⁾, the local policing body or chief officer must provide—

- (a) a copy of the record made of the complaint to the complainant, and
- (b) subject to the following provisions of this regulation, a copy of the complaint to the person complained against (if any).

(2) A copy of a complaint provided under paragraph (1) may be in a form which keeps anonymous the identity of the complainant or any other person.

(3) A local policing body or chief officer may decide not to provide a copy of a complaint under paragraph (1) if it or the chief officer believes that to do so—

- (a) might prejudice any criminal investigation or pending proceedings, or
- (b) would otherwise be contrary to the public interest.

(4) Where a local policing body or chief officer decides not to provide a copy of a complaint under paragraph (1), the local policing body or chief officer must keep that decision under regular review.

⁽¹⁾ Paragraph 2(6A) was inserted by paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 5 to the Policing and Crime Act 2017; paragraph 4A(4) was inserted by section 17(1) and (3) of that Act.