



2023 CHAPTER 1

Enforcement of safe access zone by a constable

6.—(1) Where a constable has reasonable grounds to believe that a person has committed, is committing, or is about to commit an offence under section 5(2), the constable may—

- (a) direct the person to leave the safe access zone,
- (b) remove the person from the safe access zone.

(2) Where a constable has reasonable grounds to believe that a person has committed, is committing, or is about to commit an offence under section 5(3), the constable may direct the person to cease recording.

(3) A constable exercising the power in subsection (1)(b) may use reasonable force, if necessary, in the exercise of the power.

(4) A person who fails to comply with a direction under subsection (1)(a) or (2), or who resists being removed under subsection (1)(b) commits an offence.

(5) An offence under subsection (4) is punishable on summary conviction by a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

Commencement Information

II S. 6 in operation at 7.5.2023, see [s. 10\(1\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) Act (Northern Ireland) 2023, Section 6.