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# Treasure Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 24

### *Coroners' jurisdiction*

PROSPECTIVE

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>9A Procedure for inquests: Northern Ireland**

- (1) Before conducting an inquest concerning an object, a coroner must—
  - (a) notify the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland;
  - (b) take reasonable steps to notify—
    - (i) any person who the coroner thinks may have found the object; and
    - (ii) any person who, at the time the object was found, occupied land that the coroner thinks may be where it was found.
- (2) During the inquest the coroner must take reasonable steps to notify any person within subsection (1)(b) who has not already been notified.
- (3) Before or during the inquest, the coroner must take reasonable steps—
  - (a) to obtain the names and addresses of any other interested persons; and
  - (b) to notify any interested person whose name and address he obtains.
- (4) The coroner must take reasonable steps to give any interested person an opportunity to examine witnesses at the inquest.
- (5) In this section—
  - “inquest” means an inquest held by virtue of section 7(1);
  - “interested person” means—
    - (a) the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland;
    - (b) the finder of the object in question or any person otherwise involved in the find;
    - (c) the occupier, at the time the object was found, of the land where it was found or is believed to have been found;

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- (d) a person who had an interest in that land at that time or who has had such an interest since;
  - (e) any other person with a sufficient interest.
- (6) This section extends only to Northern Ireland.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 9, 9A substituted (E.W. and N.I. respectively) (prosp.) for s. 9 by [Coroners and Justice Act 2009](#) (c. 25), ss. 177(1), 182(4), **Sch. 21 para. 41** (with s. 180)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 8(5)(6) substituted for s. 8(5) by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 39\(4\)](#)
- s. 8(7) inserted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 39\(5\)](#)
- s. 10(5)(d) inserted by [2009 c. 25 s. 30\(2\)](#)