



Proceeds of Crime Act 2002

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PART 8

INVESTIGATIONS

CHAPTER 2

ENGLAND AND WALES AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Interpretation

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- (1) In relation to a confiscation investigation these are appropriate officers—
 - (a) the Director;
 - (b) an accredited financial investigator;
 - (c) a constable;
 - (d) a customs officer.
- (2) In relation to a confiscation investigation these are senior appropriate officers—
 - (a) the Director;
 - (b) a police officer who is not below the rank of superintendent;
 - (c) a customs officer who is not below such grade as is designated by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise as equivalent to that rank;
 - (d) an accredited financial investigator who falls within a description specified in an order made for the purposes of this paragraph by the Secretary of State under section 453.
- (3) In relation to a civil recovery investigation the Director (and only the Director) is—
 - (a) an appropriate officer;
 - (b) a senior appropriate officer.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) In relation to a money laundering investigation these are appropriate officers—
- (a) an accredited financial investigator;
 - (b) a constable;
 - (c) a customs officer.
- (5) For the purposes of section 342, in relation to a money laundering investigation a person authorised for the purposes of money laundering investigations by the Director General of the National Criminal Intelligence Service is also an appropriate officer.
- (6) In relation to a money laundering investigation these are senior appropriate officers—
- (a) a police officer who is not below the rank of superintendent;
 - (b) a customs officer who is not below such grade as is designated by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise as equivalent to that rank;
 - (c) an accredited financial investigator who falls within a description specified in an order made for the purposes of this paragraph by the Secretary of State under section 453.
- (7) But a person is not an appropriate officer or a senior appropriate officer in relation to a money laundering investigation if he is—
- (a) a member of the staff of the Agency, or
 - (b) a person providing services under arrangements made by the Director.