# SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE 5

#### ACQUISITION OF LAND

#### PART II

#### PROCEDURE, COMPENSATION ETC (ENGLAND AND WALES)

#### Application of Acquisition of Land Act 1981

- 4 (1) The <sup>M1</sup>Acquisition of Land Act 1981 shall apply to any compulsory purchase by a universal service provider of land or rights in England and Wales.
  - (2) Schedule 3 to that Act shall apply in the case of a compulsory acquisition by a universal service provider of a right by the creation of a new right.

Marginal Citations M1 1981 c. 67.

#### New rights: Compulsory Purchase Act 1965

- <sup>5</sup> The <sup>M2</sup>Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 shall have effect with the modifications necessary to make it apply to a universal service provider's compulsory acquisition of a right in England and Wales by the creation of a new right as it applies to the compulsory acquisition of land, so that, in appropriate contexts, references in that Act to land are to be read as referring, or as including references, to—
  - (a) the right acquired or to be acquired, or
  - (b) land over which the right is or is to be exercisable,

according to the requirements of the particular context.

| Margi | nal Citations |  |  |
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| M2    | 1965 c. 56.   |  |  |

#### New rights: specific adaptations of 1965 Act

<sup>6</sup> Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph 5, Part I of the <sup>M3</sup>Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 shall apply in relation to a universal service provider's compulsory acquisition of a right in England and Wales by the creation of a new right with the modifications specified in paragraphs 7 to 12.

## Marginal Citations M3 1965 c. 56.

7 For section 7 of that Act (measure of compensation) there shall be substituted the following section—

"7. In assessing the compensation to be paid by the acquiring authority under this Act regard shall be had not only to the extent (if any) to which the value of the land over which the right is to be acquired is depreciated by the acquisition of the right but also to the damage (if any) to be sustained by the owner of the land by reason of its severance from other land of his, or injuriously affecting that other land by the exercise of the powers conferred by this or the special Act."

[<sup>F1</sup>8 Section 8(1) of the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 has effect as if references to acquiring land were to acquiring a right in the land, and Schedule 2A to that Act is to be read as if, for that Schedule, there were substituted—

### "SCHEDULE 2A

#### COUNTER-NOTICE REQUIRING PURCHASE OF LAND

### Introduction

- 1 (1) This Schedule applies where an acquiring authority serve a notice to treat in respect of a right over the whole or part of a house, building or factory.
  - (2) But see section 2A of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (under which a compulsory purchase order can exclude from this Schedule land that is 9 metres or more below the surface).
- 2 In this Schedule "house" includes any park or garden belonging to a house.

#### Counter-notice requiring purchase of land

- 3 A person who is able to sell the house, building or factory ("the owner") may serve a counter-notice requiring the authority to purchase the owner's interest in the house, building or factory.
- 4 A counter-notice under paragraph 3 must be served within the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which the notice to treat was served.

## Response to counter-notice

- 5 On receiving a counter-notice the acquiring authority must decide whether to—
  - (a) withdraw the notice to treat,
  - (b) accept the counter-notice, or
  - (c) refer the counter-notice to the Upper Tribunal.

- 6 The authority must serve notice of their decision on the owner within the period of 3 months beginning with the day on which the counter-notice is served ("the decision period").
- 7 If the authority decide to refer the counter-notice to the Upper Tribunal they must do so within the decision period.
- 8 If the authority do not serve notice of a decision within the decision period they are to be treated as if they had served notice of a decision to withdraw the notice to treat at the end of that period.
- 9 If the authority serve notice of a decision to accept the counter-notice, the compulsory purchase order and the notice to treat are to have effect as if they included the owner's interest in the house, building or factory.

#### Determination by Upper Tribunal

- 10 On a referral under paragraph 7 the Upper Tribunal must determine whether the acquisition of the right would—
  - (a) in the case of a house, building or factory, cause material detriment to the house, building or factory, or
  - (b) in the case of a park or garden, seriously affect the amenity or convenience of the house to which the park or garden belongs.
- 11 In making its determination, the Upper Tribunal must take into account—
  - (a) the effect of the acquisition of the right,
  - (b) the proposed use of the right, and
  - (c) if the right is proposed to be acquired for works or other purposes extending to other land, the effect of the whole of the works and the use of the other land.
- 12 If the Upper Tribunal determines that the acquisition of the right would have either of the consequences described in paragraph 10 it must determine how much of the house, building or factory the authority ought to be required to take.
- 13 If the Upper Tribunal determines that the authority ought to be required to take some or all of the house, building or factory the compulsory purchase order and the notice to treat are to have effect as if they included the owner's interest in that land.
- 14 (1) If the Upper Tribunal determines that the authority ought to be required to take some or all of the house, building or factory, the authority may at any time within the period of 6 weeks beginning with the day on which the Upper Tribunal makes its determination withdraw the notice to treat in relation to that land.
  - (2) If the acquiring authority withdraws the notice to treat under this paragraph they must pay the person on whom the notice was served compensation for any loss or expense caused by the giving and withdrawal of the notice.
  - (3) Any dispute as to the compensation is to be determined by the Upper Tribunal."]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Sch. 5 para. 8 substituted (3.2.2017) by Housing and Planning Act 2016 (c. 22), s. 216(3), Sch. 17 paras. 6, 7; S.I. 2017/75, reg. 3(g) (with reg. 5)
- 9 (1) The provisions of that Act referred to in sub-paragraph (2) (being provisions stating the effect of a deed poll executed in various circumstances where there is no conveyance by persons with interests in the land) shall be modified in accordance with sub-paragraph (3).
  - (2) The provisions are—
  - (section 9) (refusal by owners to convey),
    - Schedule 1, paragraph 10(3) (owners under incapacity), Schedule 2, paragraph 2(3) (absent and untraced owners), and Schedule 4, paragraphs 2(3) and 7(2) (common land).
    - (3) The provisions shall be so modified as to secure that, as against persons with interests in the land which are expressed to be overridden by the deed, the right which is to be compulsorily acquired is vested absolutely in the acquiring authority.

10 Section 11 of that Act (powers of entry) shall be so modified as to secure that, as from the date on which the acquiring authority have served notice to treat in respect of any right, the acquiring authority have power, exercisable in the like circumstances and subject to the like conditions, to enter for the purpose of exercising that right (which shall be deemed for this purpose to have been created on the date of service of the notice); and sections 12 (penalty for unauthorised entry) and 13 (entry on [<sup>F2</sup>enforcement officer's or sheriff's warrant] in the event of obstruction) shall be modified correspondingly.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F2 Words in Sch. 5 para. 10 substituted (1.4.2008) by Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 (c. 15), s. 148, Sch. 22 para. 11; S.I. 2007/2709, art. 5(b)
- 11 Section 20 of that Act (protection for interests of tenants at will etc.) shall apply with the modifications necessary to secure that persons with such interests as are mentioned in that section are compensated in a manner corresponding to that in which they would be compensated on a compulsory acquisition of that land, but taking into account only the extent (if any) of such interference with such an interest as is actually caused, or likely to be caused, by the exercise of the right in question.
- 12 Section 22 of that Act (protection of acquiring authority's possession where by inadvertence an estate, right or interest has not been got in) shall be so modified as to enable the acquiring authority, in circumstances corresponding to those referred to in that section, to continue to be entitled to exercise the right acquired, subject to compliance with that section as respects compensation.

#### New rights: compensation

13 The enactments in force in England and Wales with respect to compensation for the compulsory purchase of land shall apply with the necessary modifications as respects compensation in the case of a universal service provider's compulsory

acquisition of a right by the creation of a new right as they apply to compensation on the compulsory purchase of land and interests in land.

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Postal Services Act 2000, Part II.