

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force a revised code of practice under section 60(1)(a) of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 which will supersede the existing code of practice issued under that subsection.

The amendments to Code E exempt four types of offences from the requirement that the interviews of individuals regarding indictable offences must be audio recorded. The amendments set out the conditions that must be met before the exemption can apply.

The four types of offences are possession of cannabis, possession of khat, retail theft (shoplifting) of property with a value not exceeding £100 and criminal damage to a value not exceeding £300.

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