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**The Space Industry Regulations 2021**

**PART 11**

**Security**

**CHAPTER 4**

**Vetting, clearance, training and qualifications**

**National security vetting procedures**

**187.**—(1) A licensee must ensure that—

- (a) the security manager has a level of security clearance which would be regarded as appropriate by the Government of the United Kingdom for persons performing such security functions,
  - (b) the individuals mentioned in paragraph (2) have obtained an acceptable criminal record certificate under section 113A(1) of the Police Act 1997, or enhanced criminal record certificate under section 113B(1) of that Act(1) in relation to the individuals mentioned in paragraph (2) as a condition of being engaged, or continuing to be engaged, to carry out security functions, and
  - (c) any other individual carrying out security functions as part of their employment has a satisfactory background check as a condition of being engaged, or continuing to be engaged, to carry out security functions.
- (2) The individuals mentioned in paragraph (1)(b) are—
- (a) software and hardware service providers of network and information systems used for the implementation and performance of security controls where direct access to the systems is granted to them, and
  - (b) individuals who have administrator rights for information management systems and critical supplies used by, or made available to, space sites.
- (3) This regulation does not apply to a spaceport located at a NASP directed aerodrome.

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(1) 1997 c. 50. Sections 113A and 113B were inserted by section 163(2) of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c. 15), and amended by section 79(1) of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 1997 (asp 14), sections 97(2) and 112(2) of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 8 to, the Policing and Crime Act 2009 (c. 26), section 80(1) of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), section 38(1) of the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 9) and by S.I. 2012/3006. There are other amending statutory instruments which are not relevant.