



Compulsory Purchase Act 1965

1965 CHAPTER 56

PART I

COMPULSORY PURCHASE UNDER ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT OF 1946

Acquisition of special interests

20 Tenants at will, etc.

- (1) If any of the land subject to compulsory purchase is in the possession of a person having no greater interest in the land than as tenant for a year or from year to year, and if that person is required to give up possession of any land so occupied by him before the expiration of his term or interest in the land, he shall be entitled to compensation for the value of his unexpired term or interest in the land, and for any just allowance which ought to be made to him by an incoming tenant, and for any loss or injury he may sustain.
- (2) If a part only of such land is required, he shall also be entitled to compensation for the damage done to him [^{F1}by severing] land held by him or otherwise injuriously affecting it.
- (3) If the parties differ as to the amount of compensation payable under the foregoing provisions of this section the dispute shall be referred to and determined by the [^{F2}Upper Tribunal].
- (4) On payment or tender of the amount of such compensation all such persons shall respectively deliver up to the acquiring authority, or to the person appointed by them to take possession, any such land in their possession required by the acquiring authority.
- (5) If any person having a greater interest than as tenant at will claims compensation in respect of any unexpired term or interest under any lease or grant of the land subject to compulsory purchase, the acquiring authority may require that person to produce the lease or grant, or the best evidence thereof in his power; and if, after demand in writing by the acquiring authority, the lease or grant, or that best evidence, is not produced

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within twenty-one days, that person shall be considered as a tenant holding only from year to year, and be entitled to compensation accordingly.

(6) This section has effect subject to section 39 of the ^{M1}Landlord and Tenant Act 1954.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 20(2) substituted (25.9.1991) by Planning and Compensation Act 1991 (c. 34, SIF 28:1), s. 70, **Sch. 15**, Pt. 1, para.4; S.I. 1991/2067, **art. 3**.
- F2** Words in s. 20(3) substituted (1.6.2009) by The Transfer of Tribunal Functions (Lands Tribunal and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/1307), art. 1, **Sch. 1 para. 70** (with Sch. 5)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 1 modified (8.8.2017) by The Wrexham Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/766), arts. 1, **23(2)(3)**
- C2** Pt. 1 modified (22.7.2020) by The Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/706), arts. 1, **23** (with arts. 41, 42, Sch. 16 para. 66)
- C3** S. 20 modified by Land Compensation Act 1973 (c. 26, SIF 28:1), **ss. 46(1)**, 59(2)(a), 61(3)
- C4** S. 20 applied (with modifications) (31.3.1994) by British Railways Act 1994 (c. iv), s. 17, **Sch. 2 para. 5**
 S. 20 applied (with modifications) (7.3.1995) by Barking Barrage Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/519), art. 23(3), **Sch. 4 para. 8**
- C5** S. 20 applied (with modification) (8.8.2017) by The Wrexham Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/766), art. 1, **Sch. 7 para. 7**
- C6** S. 20 applied (with modifications) (22.7.2020) by The Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/706), art. 1, **Sch. 7 para. 8** (with arts. 41, 42, Sch. 16 para. 66)
- C7** S. 20(4)(5) modified by Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1968 (c. 34), s. 13(3), Sch. 3 paras. 4, **5**

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