



Highways Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 66

PART XII

ACQUISITION, VESTING AND TRANSFER OF LAND ETC.

Acquisition of land generally

249 Distance limits from highway applicable to compulsory acquisition.

- (1) Subject to subsection (3) below, a highway authority shall not in the exercise of a power to acquire land under any of the provisions of this Act specified in column 1 of Part I of Schedule 18 to this Act require compulsorily land lying beyond the limit specified in relation to that power in column 2 of that Schedule.
- (2) Part II of Schedule 18 has effect with respect to limits specified in Part I of that Schedule.
- (3) Nothing in this section applies to land required for purposes connected with the drainage of a highway or proposed highway, or of a maintenance compound, service area, trunk road picnic area or lorry area, or required for the purpose—
 - (a) of the diversion of a navigable watercourse,
 - (b) of the carrying out of works authorised by section 110 above, or
 - (c) of providing protection for a highway or proposed highway against snow, flood, landslide or other hazards of nature.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 249(1) modified (1.4.2018) by [The Sub-national Transport Body \(Transport for the North\) Regulations 2018 \(S.I. 2018/103\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(g)(ii)**

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/04/2018.

Changes to legislation:

Highways Act 1980, Section 249 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.