



# Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981

## 1981 CHAPTER 66

An Act to consolidate the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1968 concerning general vesting declarations, and related enactments. [30th October 1981]

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Act applied (16.3.1992) by [Avon Weir Act 1992 \(c. v\), s. 4\(3\)](#)
- C2 Act applied (with modifications) (7.3.1995) by S.I 1995/519, art. 22(3)  
Act applied (with modifications) (18.12.1996) by [1996 c. 61, ss. 4\(3\), 6, Sch. 4 Pt. II paras. 4, 5, 14\(5\), 15, Sch. 5 para. 3\(b\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (18.12.1996) by [1996 c. 61, s. 45\(5\)\(6\), Sch. 4 para. 5\(2\)-\(7\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (27.8.1998) by [S.I. 1998/1936, art. 28](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (13.1.1999) by [S.I. 1998/3269, art. 22\(1\)\(2\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (19.2.1999) by [S.I. 1999/537, arts. 6\(3\)\(4\), 7\(2\), 11](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (23.8.1999) by [S.I. 1999/2981, art. 19](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (24.12.1999) by [S.I. 2000/428, art. 12](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (29.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1347, arts. 24, 33\(1\)\(2\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (29.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1348, art. 5](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (2.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1367, art. 8](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (2.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1369, art. 5](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1451, arts. 9\(3\)\(4\), 13\(b\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (24.7.2001) by [S.I. 2001/3627, art. 37](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (9.11.2001) by [S.I. 2001/3682, art. 20](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (14.3.2002) by [The Chester Guided Busway Order 2002 \(S.I. 2002/412\), arts. 16, 23 \(with saving in art. 38\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (30.4.2002) by [The Docklands Light Railway \(Silvertown and London City Airport Extension\) Order 2002 \(S.I. 2002/1066\), arts. 22, 32 \(with art. 26, Sch. 8\)](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (31.5.2002) by [The Greater Manchester \(Light Rapid Transit System\) \(Trafford Depot\) Order 2002 \(S.I. 2002/1327\), art. 20](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (12.8.2002) by [The Channel Tunnel Rail Link \(Thames Tunnel Approach\) Order 2002 \(S.I. 2002/1943\), arts. 4\(3\)\(4\), 10](#)
- C3 Act: transfer of functions (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, Sch. 1](#)

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- C4 Act modified (25.11.1998 for specified purposes and otherwise 3.7.2000) by [1998 c. 45, s. 19\(6\), Sch. 4 paras. 6-9](#); [S.I. 1998/2952, art. 2\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2000/1173, art. 2\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- C5 Act applied (with modifications) (2.4.2004) by [The Docklands Light Railway \(Woolwich Arsenal Extension\) Order 2004 \(S.I. 2004/757\)](#), [arts. 25, 37](#)
- C6 Act applied (with modifications) (11.2.2005) by [The Merseytram \(Liverpool City Centre to Kirkby\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/120\)](#), [arts. 31, 41](#) (with arts. 65, 66)
- C7 Act applied (with modifications) (22.3.2005) by [The Midland Metro \(Wednesbury to Brierley Hill and Miscellaneous Amendments\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/927\)](#), [art. 31](#) (with art. 51)
- C8 Act applied (with modifications) (22.7.2005) by [The Midland Metro \(Birmingham City Centre Extension, etc.\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/1794\)](#), [art. 27](#) (with art. 47)
- C9 Act applied (with modifications) (26.8.2005) by [The River Tyne \(Tunnels\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/2222\)](#), [art. 26](#) (with arts. 45(1), 48, Sch. 10 paras. 21, 29)
- C10 Act applied (with modifications) (25.11.2005) by [The Docklands Light Railway \(Capacity Enhancement\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/3105\)](#), [arts. 26, 36](#) (with arts. 3(5), 15(3))
- C11 Act applied (with modifications) (11.1.2006) by [The Cambridgeshire Guided Busway Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/3523\)](#), [arts. 24, 33](#) (with art. 52)
- C12 Act modified (30.4.2006) by [The Immigration \(European Economic Area\) Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1003\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 2](#)
- C13 Act applied (with modifications) (14.9.2006) by [The Borough of Poole \(Poole Harbour Opening Bridges\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2310\)](#), [art. 20](#) (with art. 40, Sch. 7 para. 12)
- C14 Act applied (with modifications) (22.11.2006) by [The Docklands Light Railway \(Stratford International Extension\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/2905\)](#), [arts. 22, 33](#) (with art. 43)
- C15 Act applied (with modifications) (13.12.2006) by [The Luton Dunstable Translink Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/3118\)](#), [arts. 21, 28](#)
- C16 Act applied (with modifications) (19.3.2007) by [The Ouseburn Barrage Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/608\)](#), [arts. 25, 32](#) (with arts. 46-48, Sch. 6 para. 23)
- C17 Act applied (with modifications) (23.8.2007) by [The Docklands Light Railway \(Capacity Enhancement and 2012 Games Preparation\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2297\)](#), [arts. 22, 31](#) (with arts. 3(6), 12(3))
- C18 Act applied (with modifications) (22.7.2008) by [Crossrail Act 2008 \(c. 18\)](#), Sch. 6 paras. 4, 5
- C19 Act applied (with modifications) (14.10.2008) by [The Felixstowe Branch Line and Ipswich Yard Improvement Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/2512\)](#), [arts. 24, 33\(1\)](#) (with art. 36(3))
- C20 Act applied (with modifications) (29.12.2008) by [The Network Rail \(Thameslink\) \(Land Acquisition\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/3163\)](#), [art. 5](#) (with art. 13)
- C21 Act applied (with modifications) (9.6.2009) by [The Nottingham Express Transit System Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/1300\)](#), [art. 31](#) (with art. 45(1), Sch. 13 para. 14(2), Sch. 14 para. 19)
- C22 Act applied (with modifications) (18.9.2009) by [The London Underground \(Victoria Station Upgrade\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/2364\)](#), [arts. 19, 30](#)
- C23 Act applied (with modifications) (28.10.2009) by [The Network Rail \(Reading\) \(Land Acquisition\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/2728\)](#), [arts. 5, 17](#)
- C24 Act applied (with modifications) (20.7.2010) by [The Network Rail \(Nuneaton North Chord\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1721\)](#), [arts. 18, 25](#)
- C25 Act applied (with modifications) (1.2.2011) by [The River Mersey \(Mersey Gateway Bridge\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/41\)](#), [arts. 23, 34](#) (with art. 51, Sch. 10 paras. 68, 85)
- C26 Act applied (with modifications) (21.4.2011) by [The Network Rail \(Hitchin \(Cambridge Junction\)\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/1072\)](#), [arts. 19, 31](#)
- C27 Act applied (with modifications) (1.7.2011) by [The Saundersfoot Harbour Empowerment Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/1565\)](#), [art. 18](#)
- C28 Act applied (with modifications) (7.8.2012) by [The Ipswich Barrier Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/1867\)](#), [arts. 23, 33](#) (with arts. 46-48, Sch. 8 para. 18)
- C29 Act applied (with modifications) (26.9.2012) by [The Network Rail \(Ipswich Chord\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/2284\)](#), [art. 20](#) (with art. 26(2))

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- C30** Act applied (with modifications) (6.11.2012) by [The Network Rail \(North Doncaster Chord\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/2635\), art. 26](#) (with art. 35(2))
- C31** Act applied (with modifications) (13.11.2012) by [The Chiltern Railways \(Bicester to Oxford Improvements\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/2679\), arts. 24, 36](#) (with art. 42(2))
- C32** Act applied (with modifications) (28.3.2013) by [The Network Rail \(Seaham Level Crossing\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/533\), arts. 7, 13](#)
- C33** Act applied (with modifications) (9.4.2013) by [The Lancashire County Council \(Torrisholme to the M6 Link \(A683 Completion of Heysham to M6 Link Road\)\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/675\), art. 24](#)
- C34** Act applied (with modifications) (9.4.2013) by [The Hinkley Point C \(Nuclear Generating Station\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/648\), art. 29](#) (with arts. 48, 68, 79)
- C35** Act applied (with modifications) (16.4.2013) by [The Network Rail \(Pont Briwet\) \(Land Acquisition\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/767\), art. 5](#) (with arts. 20, 21)
- C36** Act applied (with modifications) (15.6.2013) by [The Galloper Wind Farm Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1203\), art. 20](#) (with arts. 11, 12)
- C37** Act applied (with modifications) (21.8.2013) by [The Croxley Rail Link Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1967\), art. 18](#)
- C38** Act applied (with modifications) (22.8.2013) by [The Leeds Railway Station \(Southern Entrance\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1933\), arts. 23, 33](#)
- C39** Act applied (with modifications) (6.11.2013) by [The Transport for Greater Manchester \(Light Rapid Transit System\) \(Second City Crossing\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/2587\), art. 28](#) (with arts. 38(1), 42, 43)
- C40** Act applied (with modifications) (20.11.2013) by [The M1 Junction 10a \(Grade Separation\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/2808\), art. 22](#)
- C41** Act applied (with modifications) (21.11.2013) by [The Network Rail \(Redditch Branch Enhancement\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/2809\), art. 19](#) (with arts. 16(1), 27(2), 39, Sch. 10 para. 4)
- C42** Act applied (with modifications) (9.1.2014) by [The National Grid \(King's Lynn B Power Station Connection\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/3200\), art. 21](#) (with art. 20(1))
- C43** Act applied (with modifications) (9.1.2014) by [The Ashton Vale to Temple Meads and Bristol City Centre Rapid Transit Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/3244\), arts. 25, 35](#) (with arts. 57, 58, Sch. 11 para. 19)
- C44** Act applied (with modifications) (11.3.2014) by [The Crossrail \(Paddington Station Bakerloo Line Connection\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/310\), arts. 10, 17](#)
- C45** Act applied (with modifications) (21.4.2014) by [The Network Rail \(Norton Bridge Area Improvements\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/909\), art. 24](#) (with art. 34(2))
- C46** Act applied (with modifications) (7.5.2014) by [The National Grid \(North London Reinforcement Project\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1052\), art. 27](#)
- C47** Act applied (with modifications) (7.7.2014) by [The East Anglia ONE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1599\), art. 19](#) (with arts. 37, 38, Sch. 9 para. 19)
- C48** Act applied (with modifications) (24.7.2014) by [The Daventry International Rail Freight Interchange Alteration Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1796\), art. 21](#) (with art. 24(2), Sch. 6 para. 3)
- C49** Act applied (with modifications) (29.7.2014) by [The Felixstowe Branch Line \(Land Acquisition\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1821\), arts. 5, 14](#)
- C50** Act applied (with modifications) (6.8.2014) by [The Rampion Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1873\), art. 27](#) (with arts. 12, 13, Sch. 12 Pt. 1 para. 19, Pt. 2 para. 6, Pt. 3 para. 5, Pt. 4 para. 4, Pt. 5 para. 4)
- C51** Act applied (with modifications) (19.8.2014) by [The Network Rail \(Huyton\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2027\), art. 18](#) (with art. 31(2))
- C52** Act applied (with modifications) (18.9.2014) by [The A556 \(Knutsford to Bowdon Improvement\) Development Consent Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2269\), arts. 19, 22](#)  
Act applied (with modifications) (24.9.2014) by [The Thames Water Utilities Limited \(Thames Tideway Tunnel\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2384\), arts. 1, 34](#)
- C53** Act applied (with modifications) (2.10.2014) by [The North Killingholme \(Generating Station\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2434\), arts. 19\(1\)\(b\), 21](#) (with arts. 6, 13, 16(4), Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 6, Sch. 8 Pt. 3 paras. 4(3), 6, 17, Sch. 8 Pt. 5 para. 9)

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- C54** Act applied (2.10.2014) by [The Clocaenog Forest Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2441\)](#), **art. 25** (with [art. 33](#))
- C55** Act applied (with modifications) (21.10.2014) by [The Central Bedfordshire Council \(Woodside Link Houghton Regis\) Development Consent Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2637\)](#), **art. 23**
- C56** Act applied (with modifications) (29.10.2014) by [The Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2935\)](#), **art. 36** (with [arts. 30\(4\), 53](#))
- C57** Act applied (with modifications) (28.11.2014) by [The Walney Extension Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2950\)](#), **art. 23** (with [arts. 38, 39](#))
- C58** Act applied (with modifications) (15.12.2014) by [The London Underground \(Northern Line Extension\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3102\)](#), **art. 25** (with Sch. 8 para. 45)
- C59** Act applied (with modifications) (31.12.2014) by [The Hornsea One Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3331\)](#), **art. 19** (with [arts. 37, 38](#))
- C60** Act applied (with modifications) (7.1.2015) by [The Willington C Gas Pipeline Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3328\)](#), **art. 21**
- C61** Act applied (with modifications) (2.2.2015) by [The Northumberland County Council \(A1 – South East Northumberland Link Road \(Morpeth Northern Bypass\)\) Development Consent Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/23\)](#), **art. 25**
- C62** Act applied (with modifications) (25.2.2015) by [The A160/A180 \(Port of Immingham Improvement\) Development Consent Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/129\)](#), **art. 24**
- C63** Act applied (with modifications) (26.2.2015) by [The Cornwall Council \(A30 Temple to Higher Carblake Improvement\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/147\)](#), **art. 24**
- C64** Act applied (with modifications) (11.3.2015) by [The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/318\)](#), **art. 26** (with [arts. 40, 41](#), Sch. 12 Pt. 1 paras. 4, 9(2), 10, Sch. 12 Pt. 2 paras. 4(2)(3), 19, Sch. 12 Pt. 4 paras. 3, 4, 16)
- C65** Act applied (with modifications) (1.4.2015) by [The Knottingley Power Plant Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/680\)](#), **art. 23** (with Sch. 8 para. 10)
- C66** Act applied (with modifications) (21.4.2015) by [The Network Rail \(Ordsall Chord\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/780\)](#), **art. 23** (with [art. 36\(2\)](#))
- C67** Act applied (with modifications) (21.4.2015) by [The Crossrail \(Plumstead Sidings\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/781\)](#), **art. 10(2)**
- C68** Act applied (with modifications) (9.6.2015) by [The White Moss Landfill Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1317\)](#), **art. 17** (with [art. 5](#))
- C69** Act applied (with modifications) (23.6.2015) by [The Norfolk County Council \(Norwich Northern Distributor Road \(A1067 to A47\(T\)\)\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1347\)](#), **art. 25**
- C70** Act applied (with modifications) (30.6.2015) by [The Swansea Bay Tidal Generating Station Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1386\)](#), **art. 29** (with [arts. 51, 53](#))
- C71** Act applied (with modifications) (7.8.2015) by [The Preesall Underground Gas Storage Facility Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1561\)](#), **art. 22** (with [art. 44](#))
- C72** Act applied (with modifications) (14.8.2015) by [The Hirwaun Generating Station Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1574\)](#), **art. 22** (with [art. 30](#))
- C73** Act applied (with modifications) (14.8.2015) by [The Progress Power \(Gas Fired Power Station\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1570\)](#), **art. 23**
- C74** Act applied (with modifications) (26.8.2015) by [The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1592\)](#), **art. 27** (with [arts. 40, 41](#))
- C75** Act applied (with modifications) (30.9.2015) by [The Network Rail \(Blackthorn and Piddington\) \(Land Acquisition\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1684\)](#), **art. 5(2)**
- C76** Act applied (with modifications) (16.12.2015) by [The Network Rail \(Tinsley Chord\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1876\)](#), **art. 15** (with [art. 24\(1\)\(b\)](#))
- C77** Act applied (with modifications) (30.12.2015) by [The Port Talbot Steelworks Generating Station Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1984\)](#), **art. 13** (with [art. 26](#))
- C78** Act applied (with modifications) (12.1.2016) by [The London Underground \(Bank Station Capacity Upgrade\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/2044\)](#), **art. 22**

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- C80** Act applied (with modifications) (9.2.2016) by [The National Grid \(Hinkley Point C Connection Project\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/49\), art. 25](#) (with arts. 21(1), 32)
- C81** Act applied (with modifications) (18.2.2016) by [The A19/A1058 Coast Road \(Junction Improvement\) Development Consent Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/73\), art. 23](#) (with art. 37)
- C82** Act applied (with modifications) (25.3.2016) by [The Thorpe Marsh Gas Pipeline Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/297\), art. 25](#) (with art. 39)
- C83** Act applied (with modifications) (1.6.2016) by [The A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme Development Consent Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/547\), art. 26](#) (with arts. 4, 5(3))
- C84** Act applied (with modifications) (14.6.2016) by [The Midland Metro \(Birmingham City Centre Extension, etc.\) \(Land Acquisition and Variation\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/545\), art. 22](#) (with art. 39)
- C85** Act applied (with modifications) (2.8.2016) by [The Meaford Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/779\), art. 19](#)
- C86** Act applied (with modifications) (2.8.2016) by [The Midland Metro \(Wolverhampton City Centre Extension\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/684\), art. 29](#) (with arts. 39, 46, 47, Sch. 9 para. 4, Sch. 10 para. 12(2))
- C87** Act applied (with modifications) (10.8.2016) by [The York Potash Harbour Facilities Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/772\), art. 28](#) (with arts. 35, 36)
- C88** Act applied (with modifications) (19.8.2016) by [The North Wales Wind Farms Connection Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/818\), art. 24](#) (with art. 35)
- C89** Act applied (with modifications) (7.9.2016) by [The Hornsea Two Offshore Wind Farm Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/844\), art. 22](#) (with arts. 37, 38)
- C90** Act applied (with modifications) (15.9.2016) by [The River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/853\), art. 26](#) (with art. 43)
- C91** Act applied (with modifications) (23.9.2016) by [The M4 Motorway \(Junctions 3 to 12\) \(Smart Motorway\) Development Consent Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/863\), art. 24](#)
- C92** Act applied (with modifications) (27.9.2016) by [The Triton Knoll Electrical System Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/880\), art. 20](#) (with arts. 39, 40, Sch. 8 para. 19)
- C93** Act applied (with modifications) (28.10.2016) by [The Brechfa Forest Wind Farm Connection Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/987\), arts. 22, 25](#) (with art. 37)
- C94** Act applied (with modifications) (24.11.2016) by [The Transport for Greater Manchester \(Light Rapid Transit System\) \(Trafford Park Extension\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/1035\), art. 29](#) (with arts. 43, 44)
- C95** Act applied (with modifications) (23.2.2017) by [High Speed Rail \(London - West Midlands\) Act 2017 \(c. 7\), s. 4\(4\), Sch. 6 para. 3, Sch. 9 paras. 3, 4](#) (as amended (24.2.2017) by [2017 \(c. 7\), s. 70\(2\), Sch. 14 paras. 6, 7, 9; S.I. 2017/209, reg. 2](#))

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- I1** Act wholly in force at 30.1.1982, see [s. 17\(2\)](#)

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