



# Acquisition of Land Act 1981

## 1981 CHAPTER 67

An Act to consolidate the Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) Act 1946 and related enactments. [30th October 1981]

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Act applied (with modifications) by Housing Act 1985 (c. 68, SIF 61), **s. 578**, by Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40, SIF 41:1), **ss. 190(6)**, 201(6), by Housing Act 1988 (c. 50, SIF 61), ss. 77(4), 78(1), **Sch. 10 Pt. I para. 1**, by Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29, SIF 44:1), ss. 10(1)(2), 112(3), Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 5, **Sch. 17 para. 35(1)** and by National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19, SIF 113:2), s. 1(2), **Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 26(2)(3)**
- C2** Act applied by Housing Associations Act 1985 (c. 69, SIF 61), **s. 88(3)(a)**, by Airports Act 1986 (c. 31, SIF 9), **s. 59(1)(a)**, by Gas Act 1986 (c. 44, SIF 44:2), s. 9(3), **Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 4**, by Norfolk and Suffolk Broads Act 1988 (c. 4, SIF 81:1), ss. 2(6), 23(2), 27(2), **Sch. 3 para. 44(4)**, by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 151(4) (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 190, 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 57(6), **58**), by Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (c. 8, SIF 123:1), **ss. 226(7)**, 228(7), 254(2) and by Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (c.9, SIF 123:1), **ss. 47(2)**, 61(2)
- C3** Act extended by Airports Act 1986 (c. 31, SIF 9), s. 58, **Sch. 2 para. 1(1)**, by Gas Act 1986 (c. 44, SIF 44:2), s. 67(1)(3), Sch. 7 para. 2(1)(xlii), **Sch. 8 para. 33** and by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 25 para. 1(2)(xxvii)** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 190, 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 57(6), 58)
- C4** Act modified by Gas Act 1986 (c. 44, SIF 44:2), s. 67(1)(3), **Sch. 7 para. 2** (10)(d), by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 25 para. 1(10)(ix)** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 190, 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 57(6), 58) and by Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29, SIF 44:1), s. 112(1)(3), Sch. 16 para. 3(2)(h), Sch. 17 paras. 33, **35(1)**
- C5** Act amended by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 25 para. 1(11)(v)** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 190, 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 57(6), 58) and by Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29, SIF 44:1), s. 112(1)(3), Sch. 16 para. 2(2)(9)(g), Sch. 17 paras. 33, **35(1)** and extended (1.3.1996) by 1995 c. 45, s. 16(1), **Sch. 4 para. 2(1)(xxxi)**; S.I. 1996/218, **art. 2**
- C6** Power to modify Act conferred (1.12.1991) by Land Drainage Act 1991 (c. 59, SIF 73:1), **ss. 62(5)(b)**, 76(2) (with ss. 67(3)(5)(8))
- C7** Act applied (1.12.1991) by Water Industry Act 1991 (c. 56, SIF 130), **ss. 155(4)**, 223(2) (with ss. 82(3), 186(1), 222(1), Sch. 14 para. 6)

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- Act applied (with modifications) (1.12.1991) by Water Resources Act 1991 (c. 57, SIF 130), **ss. 154(4), 225(2)** (with saving in s. 182 and with ss. 16(6), 179, 222(3), Sch. 22 para. 1, Sch. 23 para. 6)
- Act applied (1.12.1991) by Land Drainage Act 1991 (c. 59, SIF 73:1), **ss. 62(3), 76(2)**(with ss. 67(3)(5)(8), 72(6), 74(3)(4)) Act applied (with modifications) (6. 5. 1992) by Further and Higher Education Act 1992 (c. 13), **s. 40(6)**; S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, **Sch.1**
- Act applied (with modifications) (10.11.1993) by 1993 c. 28, ss. 162(4), 169, **Sch. 20 Pt. I**; S.I. 1993/2762, **art. 3**.
- Act applied (with modifications) (1.1.1994) by 1993 c. 35, **s. 42(6)** (with s. 155(11)); S.I. 1993/3106, art. 4, **Sch.**
- Act applied (1.4.1994) by 1993 c. 35, ss. 3, 4, 308(3), **Sch. 1 para. 2(2)**; S.I. 1994/507, art. 4, **Sch. 2**
- Act applied (E.W.) (with modifications) (30.10.1994) by S.I. 1994/2716, **art. 98(3)**
- Act applied (with modifications) (1.3.1996) by 1995 c. 45, s. 16(1), **Sch. 4 para. 2(11)(d)**; S.I. 1996/218, **art. 2**
- Act applied (1.11.1996) by 1995 c. 45, ss. 20, 21, **Sch. 2 para. 3(2)**
- Act applied (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 20, 21, 583(2), **Sch. 2 para. 3(2)** (with s. 1(4)) (which Sch. 2 is prospectively repealed by 1998 c. 31, **ss. 140(1)(3), 145(2)-(5)** Sch. 30 para. 185, Sch. 31)
- Act applied (with modifications) (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, **ss. 205(6), 583(2)** (with s. 1(4)) (which s. 205 is prospectively repealed by 1998 c. 31, ss. 145(4)(5), 140(1)(3), Sch. 30 para. 70, **Sch. 31**)
- Act applied (18.12.1996) by 1996 c. 61, **s. 5(4)**
- Act applied (with modifications) (1.10.1998) by Welsh Development Agency Act 1975 c. 70, **Sch. 4 Pt. I para. 1(1)** (as inserted (1.10.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 127, **Sch. 13 para. 3** (with ss. 139(2), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2244, **art. 4**
- Act applied (with modifications) (25.11.1998 for specified purposes and otherwise 3.7.2000) by 1998 c. 45, ss. 20(4)(5), 43, **Sch. 5 Pt. I**; S.I. 1998/2952, **art. 2**; S.I. 2000/1173, **art. 2(c)**
- Act applied (E.) (4.1.2000) and (W.) (prosp.) by 1977 c. 49, **Sch. 5A para. 19(2)** (as inserted (E.) (4.1.2000) and (W.) (prosp.) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 2(2), 67(1), **Sch. 1**; S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 2**)
- Act applied (3.7.2000) by 1999 c. 29, s. 156(8), **Sch. 11 para. 19(1)(2)** (with Sch. 12 para. 9(1)); S.I. 2000/801, art. 2(c), **Sch. Pt. 3**
- Act applied (28.7.2000) by 2000 c. 21, s. 131, **Sch. 8 para. 3(6)**
- Act: applied (with modifications) (E.) (2.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1368, **art. 8**
- C8** Act (except ss. 8(4), 32(6)): transfer of certain functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, **Sch. 1**
- C9** Act extended (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 95, **Sch. 5, Pt. II para. 4(1)**; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(3), **Sch. 3**
- C10** Act applied (26.7.2002) by Education Act 1996 (c. 56), Sch. 35A para. 3(6) (as inserted (26.7.2002) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), s. 65, Sch. 7 Pt. 1 {para. 1} (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2002, **art. 2**)
- C11** Act applied (with modifications) (25.7.2003 for specified purposes, 29.12.2003 in so far as not already in force) by Communications Act 2003 (c. 21), s. 411(2), **Sch. 4 para. 3(4)** (with Sch. 18); S.I. 2003/1900, arts. 1(2), 2(1), Sch. 1 (with art. 3) (as amended by S.I. 2003/3142, art. 1(3)); S.I. 2003/3142, art. 3(2) (with art. 11)
- C12** Act applied (1.4.2004) by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1)(4), **Sch. 4 para. 46**; S.I. 2004/759, art. 2
- C13** Act applied by 1994 c. 21, s. 4C(4) (as inserted (1.4.2004) by Water Act 2003 (c. 37), **ss. 85(1), 105(3)**; S.I. 2004/641, art. 3(w) (with Sch. 3 para. 7))

### Commencement Information

- II** Act wholly in force at 30.1.1982, see s. 35(2)

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