



Football Spectators Act 1989

1989 CHAPTER 37

PART II

FOOTBALL MATCHES OUTSIDE ENGLAND AND WALES

Restriction orders

15 Restriction orders.

[^{F1}(1) Subject to subsection (3) below—

- (a) a court by or before which a person is convicted of a relevant offence, or
- (b) if a person convicted of such an offence is committed to the Crown Court to be dealt with, the Crown Court on dealing with him for the offence,

shall have the power to make an international football banning order in relation to him.

(2) Subject to subsection (3) below, it shall be the duty of the court to make an international football banning order in relation to the accused if it is satisfied that there are reasonable grounds to believe that making the order would help to prevent violence or disorder at or in connection with designated football matches.

(2A) Where the court has power to make an international football banning order in relation to the accused but does not do so, it shall state in open court that it is not satisfied that there are such reasonable grounds as are mentioned in subsection (2) above and give reasons why it is not satisfied.

(3) An international football banning order may only be made—

- (a) in addition to a sentence imposed in respect of the offence of which the accused is (or was) convicted; or
- (b) in addition to an order discharging him absolutely or conditionally.

(4) An international football banning order may be made as mentioned in subsection (3)(b) above notwithstanding anything in [^{F2}sections 12 and 14 of the Powers of the Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000] (which relate to orders discharging a person absolutely or conditionally and their effect).

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- (5) An international football banning order shall specify the police station in England or Wales at which the person subject to the order is to report initially.]
- [^{F3}(5A) The court may, if it thinks fit, impose conditions in the order which the person subject to the order shall comply with.
- (5B) Those conditions may include conditions with respect to the surrender of the passport of the person subject to the order not more than five days before the date of each designated football match in relation to which he is required to report to a police station.
- (5C) A passport surrendered by the person subject to the order on the occasion of a designated football match must be returned to him as soon as reasonably practicable after the match has taken place.]
- (6) The court shall, on making the order in relation to the accused, explain its effect to him in ordinary language.
- (7) In section 10(3) of the ^{M1}Criminal Appeal Act 1968 (appeals against sentence by Crown Court), in paragraph (c), after sub-paragraph (iii) there shall be inserted “or
 (iv) a restriction order under section 15 of the Football Spectators Act 1989;”.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 15(1)-(5) substituted (27.9.1999) by 1999 c. 21, ss. 1(1), 12(2) (with s. 12(3))
- F2** Words in s. 15(4) substituted (25.8.2000) by 2000 c. 6, ss. 165(1), 168(1), Sch. 9 para. 125
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