

Football Spectators Act 1989

1989 CHAPTER 37

PART II

FOOTBALL MATCHES OUTSIDE ENGLAND AND WALES

Reporting

19 Functions of enforcing authority and local police

- (1) The enforcing authority and the officer responsible for the police station at which he reports initially shall have the following functions as respects any person subject to a restriction order.
- (2) On a person reporting initially at the police station, the officer responsible for the station may make such requirements of that person as are determined by the enforcing authority to be necessary or expedient for giving effect to restriction orders.
- (3) During the currency of a restriction order in force in relation to any person the enforcing authority shall perform the following functions on the occasion of any designated football match, that is to say—
 - (a) where the match is one for which reporting is obligatory for all persons subject to restriction orders, the authority shall, by notice in writing to that person, require him to report to a police station at the time or between the times specified in the notice;
 - (b) where the match is one for which reporting is obligatory for such persons only as are required to report under this paragraph, the authority shall, if that person is one as respects whom subsection (4) below is satisfied, by notice in writing to that person, require him to report to a police station at the time or between the times specified in the notice.
- (4) No requirement to report under subsection (3)(b) above shall be imposed by the enforcing authority on any person unless imposing it is, in their opinion, necessary or expedient in order to reduce the likelihood of violence or disorder at, or in connection with, the designated football match; and the authority may establish criteria for

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determining whether any person or class of persons ought to be required to report under that paragraph.

- (5) The enforcing authority, in exercising their functions under this section, shall have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 21 below.
- (6) A person who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with any requirement imposed on him under subsection (2) above shall be guilty of an offence.
- (7) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (6) above shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.