

# Justices of the Peace Act 1997 (repealed)

#### **1997 CHAPTER 25**

#### PART II

#### JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Justices other than stipendiary magistrates

#### 6 Residence qualification.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, a person shall not be appointed as a justice of the peace for a commission area in accordance with section 5 above, nor act as a justice of the peace by virtue of any such appointment, unless he resides in or within 15 miles of that area.
- (2) If the Lord Chancellor is of the opinion that it is in the public interest for a person to act as a justice of the peace for a particular area though not qualified to do so under subsection (1) above, he may direct that, so long as any conditions specified in the direction are satisfied, that subsection shall not apply in relation to that person's appointment as a justice of the peace for the area so specified.
- (3) Where a person appointed as a justice of the peace for a commission area in accordance with section 5 above is not qualified under the preceding provisions of this section to act by virtue of the appointment, he shall be removed from office as a justice of the peace in accordance with that section if the Lord Chancellor is of the opinion that the appointment ought not to continue having regard to the probable duration and other circumstances of the lack of qualification.
- (4) No act or appointment shall be invalidated by reason only of the disqualification or lack of qualification under this section of the person acting or appointed.

### **Status:**

Point in time view as at 19/06/1997. This version of this provision has been superseded.

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Justices of the Peace Act 1997 (repealed), Section 6.