



# Crime and Disorder Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 37

### PART I

#### PREVENTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER

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##### ENGLAND AND WALES

##### *Youth crime and disorder*

### 12 Child safety orders: supplemental

- (1) Before making a child safety order, a magistrates' court shall obtain and consider information about the child's family circumstances and the likely effect of the order on those circumstances.
- (2) Before making a child safety order, a magistrates' court shall explain to the parent or guardian of the child in ordinary language—
  - (a) the effect of the order and of the requirements proposed to be included in it;
  - (b) the consequences which may follow (under subsection (6) below) if the child fails to comply with any of those requirements; and
  - (c) that the court has power (under subsection (4) below) to review the order on the application either of the parent or guardian or of the responsible officer.
- (3) Requirements included in a child safety order shall, as far as practicable, be such as to avoid—
  - (a) any conflict with the parent's religious beliefs; and
  - (b) any interference with the times, if any, at which the child normally attends school.
- (4) If while a child safety order is in force in respect of a child it appears to the court which made it, on the application of the responsible officer or a parent or guardian of

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the child, that it is appropriate to make an order under this subsection, the court may make an order discharging the child safety order or varying it—

- (a) by cancelling any provision included in it; or
  - (b) by inserting in it (either in addition to or in substitution for any of its provisions) any provision that could have been included in the order if the court had then had power to make it and were exercising the power.
- (5) Where an application under subsection (4) above for the discharge of a child safety order is dismissed, no further application for its discharge shall be made under that subsection by any person except with the consent of the court which made the order.
- (6) Where a child safety order is in force and it is proved to the satisfaction of the court which made it or another magistrates' court acting for the same petty sessions area, on the application of the responsible officer, that the child has failed to comply with any requirement included in the order, the court—
- (a) may discharge the order and make in respect of him a care order under subsection (1)(a) of section 31 of the 1989 Act; or
  - (b) may make an order varying the order—
    - (i) by cancelling any provision included in it; or
    - (ii) by inserting in it (either in addition to or in substitution for any of its provisions) any provision that could have been included in the order if the court had then had power to make it and were exercising the power.
- (7) Subsection (6)(a) above applies whether or not the court is satisfied that the conditions mentioned in section 31(2) of the 1989 Act are fulfilled.