



# Postal Services Act 2000

## 2000 CHAPTER 26

### PART V

#### OFFENCES IN RELATION TO POSTAL SERVICES

##### *Additional protection for universal postal service*

#### **88 Obstruction of business of universal service providers.**

- (1) A person commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse, he—
  - (a) obstructs a person engaged in the business of a universal service provider in the execution of his duty in connection with the provision of a universal postal service, or
  - (b) obstructs, while in any universal postal service post office or related premises, the course of business of a universal service provider.
- (2) A person who commits an offence under subsection (1) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.
- (3) A person commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse, he fails to leave a universal postal service post office or related premises when required to do so by a person who—
  - (a) is engaged in the business of a universal service provider, and
  - (b) reasonably suspects him of committing an offence under subsection (1).
- (4) A person who commits an offence under subsection (3)—
  - (a) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale, and
  - (b) may be removed by any person engaged in the business of a universal service provider.
- (5) Any constable shall on demand remove, or assist in removing, any such person.
- (6) In this section “related premises” means any premises belonging to a universal postal service post office or used together with any such post office.

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*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Postal Services Act 2000, Section 88. (See end of Document for details)*

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 88 wholly in force at 26.3.2001, see s. 130 and S.I. 2001/878, art. 2, **Sch.** (subject to arts. 3-17)

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