



Drugs Act 2005

2005 CHAPTER 17

PART 3

ASSESSMENT OF MISUSE OF DRUGS

18 Orders under this Part and guidance

- (1) A statutory instrument containing an order under section 9(4) or 10(5) must not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (2) Any such order may—
 - (a) make different provision for different police areas;
 - (b) make such provision as the Secretary of State considers appropriate in connection with requiring persons who have not attained the age of 18 to attend and remain for the duration of an initial assessment or a follow-up assessment (as the case may be), including provision amending this Part.
- (3) In exercising any functions conferred by this Part, a police officer and a suitably qualified person must have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this Part.