



# Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008

## 2008 CHAPTER 13

### PART 3

#### CIVIL SANCTIONS

##### *Stop notices*

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- (1) The provision which may be made under this section is provision conferring on a regulator the power to serve a stop notice on a person.
- (2) For the purposes of this Part a “stop notice” is a notice prohibiting a person from carrying on an activity specified in the notice until the person has taken the steps specified in the notice.
- (3) Provision under this section may only confer such a power in relation to a case falling within subsection (4) or (5).
- (4) A case falling within this subsection is a case where—
  - (a) the person is carrying on the activity,
  - (b) the regulator reasonably believes that the activity as carried on by that person is causing, or presents a significant risk of causing, serious harm to any of the matters referred to in subsection (6), and
  - (c) the regulator reasonably believes that the activity as carried on by that person involves or is likely to involve the commission of a relevant offence by that person.
- (5) A case falling within this subsection is a case where the regulator reasonably believes that—
  - (a) the person is likely to carry on the activity,

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- (b) the activity as likely to be carried on by that person will cause, or will present a significant risk of causing, serious harm to any of the matters referred to in subsection (6), and
  - (c) the activity as likely to be carried on by that person will involve or will be likely to involve the commission of a relevant offence by that person.
- (6) The matters referred to in subsections (4)(b) and (5)(b) are—
- (a) human health,
  - (b) the environment (including the health of animals and plants), and
  - (c) the financial interests of consumers.
- (7) The steps referred to in subsection (2) must be steps to remove or reduce the harm or risk of harm referred to in subsection (4)(b) or (5)(b).