



# Policing and Crime Act 2017

## 2017 CHAPTER 3

### PART 3

#### POLICE WORKFORCE AND REPRESENTATIVE INSTITUTIONS

### CHAPTER 1

#### POLICE WORKFORCE

##### *Powers of police civilian staff and volunteers*

### **39 Application of Firearms Act 1968 to the police: special constables and volunteers**

- (1) The Firearms Act 1968 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 54 of that Act (Application of Parts 1 and 2 to Crown servants), in subsection (3)—
  - (a) after paragraph (b) insert—
    - “(ba) a community support volunteer or a policing support volunteer designated under section 38 of the Police Reform Act 2002 by the chief constable of a police force in England and Wales,”;
  - (b) after paragraph (f) insert “, or
  - (g) a community support volunteer or a policing support volunteer designated under section 38 of the Police Reform Act 2002 (as it applies by virtue of section 28 of the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003) by the Chief Constable of the British Transport Police Force.”
- (3) In section 57 of that Act (interpretation), in subsection (4), after the definition of “imitation firearm” insert—
  - ““member of a police force” means—

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**Status:** *This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (a) as respects England and Wales, a constable who is a member of a police force or a special constable appointed under section 27 of the Police Act 1996;
- (b) as respects Scotland, a constable within the meaning of section 99 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (2012 asp 8);  
“member of the British Transport Police Force” includes a special constable appointed under section 25 of the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003;”.