



Domestic Abuse Act 2021

2021 CHAPTER 17

PART 3

POWERS FOR DEALING WITH DOMESTIC ABUSE

Domestic abuse protection orders

49 Special measures for witnesses

- (1) Chapter 1 of Part 2 of the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 (special measures directions in case of vulnerable and intimidated witnesses) applies to relevant proceedings under this Part as it applies to criminal proceedings, but with—
 - (a) the omission of the provisions of that Act mentioned in subsection (2) (which make provision only in the context of criminal proceedings), and
 - (b) any other necessary modifications.
- (2) The provisions are—
 - (a) section 17(4) to (7);
 - (b) section 21(4C)(e);
 - (c) section 22A;
 - (d) section 32.
- (3) Rules of court made under or for the purposes of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of that Act apply to relevant proceedings under this Part—
 - (a) to the extent provided by rules of court, and
 - (b) subject to any modifications provided by rules of court.
- (4) Section 47 of that Act (restrictions on reporting special measures directions etc) applies with any necessary modifications—
 - (a) to a direction under section 19 of that Act as applied by this section;
 - (b) to a direction discharging or varying such a direction.

Sections 49 and 51 of that Act (offences) apply accordingly.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (5) In this section “relevant proceedings under this Part” means—
- (a) proceedings under section 28, 31(2) or (7), 40 or 44(2)(a);
 - (b) proceedings arising by virtue of section 31(3), (5) or (6);
 - (c) proceedings arising by virtue of section 44(2)(b) in any case within section 31(3), (5) or (6);
 - (d) proceedings on an appeal relating to a domestic abuse protection order (whether or not an appeal under section 46).