



National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949

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PART III

NATURE CONSERVATION

- 17 Compulsory acquisition of land by [^{F1}conservation body]for establishment of nature reserves.**
- (1) Subject to the provisions of the next following subsection, where [^{F2}the appropriate conservation body] are satisfied as respects any land that it is expedient in the national interest that it should be managed as a nature reserve, they may acquire the land compulsorily.
- (2) [^{F3}the appropriate conservation body] shall not acquire any interest in land under the last foregoing subsection unless they are satisfied that they are unable, as respects that interest, to conclude on terms appearing to them reasonable an [^{F4}nature reserve agreement or an agreement under section 16] containing such provisions as in their opinion are required for securing that the land will be satisfactorily managed as a nature reserve.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 17 heading substituted (1.10.2006) by [Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 \(c. 16\), s. 107, Sch. 11 para. 16\(b\)](#); S.I. 2006/2541, art. 2 (with Sch.)
- F2** Words in s. 17(1) substituted (1.10.2006) by [Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 \(c. 16\), s. 107, Sch. 11 para. 15\(a\)](#); S.I. 2006/2541, art. 2 (with Sch.)
- F3** Words in s. 17(2) substituted (1.10.2006) by [Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 \(c. 16\), s. 107, Sch. 11 para. 15\(a\)](#); S.I. 2006/2541, art. 2 (with Sch.)
- F4** Words in s. 17(2) substituted (1.10.2006) by [Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 \(c. 16\), s. 107, Sch. 11 para. 16\(a\)](#); S.I. 2006/2541, art. 2 (with Sch.)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949, Section 17.