STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2669

POLICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2012

Made - - - -	*23rd October 2012*
Laid before Parliament	*25th October 2012*
Coming into force - -	*19th November 2012*

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 113A(6) and 125(1) and (2) of the Police Act 1997(**1**).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2012 and come into force on 19th November 2012.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.

Amendment of the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) Regulations

2. In regulation 9 of the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) Regulations 2002 (central records: prescribed details)(**2**) for "National Policing Improvement Agency" substitute "Secretary of State".

Home Office	*Taylor of Holbeach*
23rd October 2012	Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State

(**1**)   1997 c. 50. Section 113A was inserted by section 163(2) of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c. 15). There are amendments but none relevant to these Regulations.

(**2**)   S.I. 2002/233. Regulation 9 was substituted by S.I. 2007/700.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which come into force on 19 November 2012, amend the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) Regulations 2002 ("the 2002 Regulations").

Regulation 2 amends regulation 9 of the 2002 Regulations in order to replace the reference to the National Policing Improvement Agency ("NPIA") with a reference to the Secretary of State. The NPIA is being phased out and the Home Office has now taken over the function of running the Police National Computer ("PNC"). It is the names database of convictions, cautions, warnings and reprimands which is held on the PNC which is prescribed as "central records" for the purposes of section 113A(6) of the Police Act 1997.