
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Regulation 9 of the Criminal Legal Aid (General) Regulations 2013 (S.I. 2013/9) (“the General Regulations”) makes provision about criminal proceedings for the purposes of section 14(h) of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 (c. 10) (“the 2012 Act”). These Regulations amend regulation 9 of the General Regulations to prescribe as criminal proceedings for the purposes of the 2012 Act, proceedings under sections 1, 4, 5 and 7 of the Stalking Protection Act 2019 (c. 9) (“the 2019 Act”) in relation to stalking protection orders and interim stalking protection orders.

Proceedings under section 1 concern the application for stalking protection orders by a chief officer of police. Proceedings under section 4 concern applications by the defendant or a relevant chief officer of police to vary, renew or discharge the stalking protection order. Proceedings under section 5 concern interim stalking protection orders. Proceedings under section 7 concern appeals against making or refusal to make an order under the 2019 Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.