STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 939 (C. 76)

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Crime and Policing Act 2026 (Commencement No. 2) Regulations 2026

Made - - - - *25th August 2026*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 255(1) of the Crime and Policing Act 2026(**a**).

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Crime and Policing Act 2026 (Commencement No. 2) Regulations 2026.

Provision coming into force on 1st September 2026

2. Section 139 (safeguarding vulnerable groups: regulated activity) of the Crime and Policing Act 2026 comes into force on 1st September 2026.

Jo White
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State
Home Office

25th August 2026

(**a**) 2026 c. 20.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring into force a provision of the Crime and Policing Act 2026 (c. 20) ("the 2026 Act"). These are the second commencement regulations made under the 2026 Act.

Regulation 2 brings into force section 139 (safeguarding vulnerable groups: regulated activity) of the 2026 Act. Section 139 removes the provisions within Schedule 4 to the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47) which take supervised roles out of regulated activity in the child workforce. This means that those who work closely and frequently with children in England and Wales are in regulated activity, whether they are supervised or not. Being in regulated activity means that these roles can be subject to, and eligible for, the highest-level DBS check (enhanced with check of the children's barred list) in line with the high level of risk to children involved in the role, and subject to the requirements attendant to individuals and employers in regulated activity.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this statutory instrument as impact assessments were produced in relation to the 2026 Act. Copies can be obtained from the Home Office at 2 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DF, or from https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/crime-and-policing-bill-2025-impact-assessments.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The following provisions of the Crime and Policing Act 2026 (c.20) have been brought into force by commencement regulations made before the date of these Regulations.

Provision	*Date of Commencement*	*S.I. No.*
section 3(5) and (6)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 7 and 8	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 11 and 12	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 44	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 97	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 98 (partially)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 99 to 101	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 103	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 157 to 163	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 165 and 166	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 169	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 176(7)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 177	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 181 (remainder)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 188	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 189(1) (partially)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 199	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 212 (partially)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 214	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 219(3)	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 221	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 226(4) as to England and Wales and Scotland	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 228	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 229 as to England and Wales and Scotland	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 233	29th June 2026	2026/689
section 247(3)(b)	29th June 2026	2026/689
Schedule 5	29th June 2026	2026/689
paragraph 24 of Schedule 13	29th June 2026	2026/689
Schedule 14	29th June 2026	2026/689
Schedule 17	29th June 2026	2026/689
paragraphs 1 to 5, 7 to 16, 25, 26(3) (partially) and 27 to 54 of Schedule 21	29th June 2026	2026/689
paragraphs 1(3), 5(1)(b), 6, 7(2) and (3), 9(2), 11(3) and 13(e) of Schedule 25 (partially)	29th June 2026	2026/689

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