

Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EQHRIA)

Summary of Results

Policy / Practice	Armed Forces Personnel SOP
Owning Department	Local Policing
Date EQHRIA Completed	24/01/2018

Purpose of Policy / Practice	<p>This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) covers two distinct areas;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The procedures to be followed when individual members of HM Forces are detected for the commission of crimes or offences. •Other miscellaneous aspects of liaison with HM Forces and guidance on miscellaneous aspects of interaction with HM Forces.
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A. Summary of Analysis / Decisions - What the assessment found and actions already taken.

The assessment found that the procedure has no impact on the protected characteristics.

In relation to impact on Human Rights. The following findings were identified;

Article 2 (Right to Life) was found to be protected.

Article 5 (Right to Liberty and Security) was found to be infringed the policy. However this is justified by legislation as detailed in the EQHRIA

Article 6 (Right to a Fair Trial) was found to be protected

Article 8 (Right to Respect for Private and Family Life) was found to be infringed by the policy. However this is justified by legislation as detailed in the EQHRIA.

Protocol 1, Article 1 (Protection of Property) was found to be infringed the policy. However the National Decision Making model would be applied and would take careful consideration of the code of ethics around any requirement to force entry to premises or search military premises.

B. Summary of Mitigation Actions - What else we plan to do and how we are going to check that it has been done.

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Owning Department will monitor changes in legislation/circumstances which may affect the SOP and assess how these changes may impact on the protected groups.

In addition they will be responsible for the cyclical review of both SOP and EqHRIA.