

Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) 1984 – the changes

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The Home Office publishes new and revised PACE codes of practice

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The Home Office has published new and revised PACE codes of practice relating to conduct and procedure.

Key changes include:

Code A (statutory powers of stop and search and requirements to record public encounters) has been amended to include:

- the introduction of new stop and search powers in the Public Order Act 2023
- changes to police powers made by the National Security Act 2023
- changes to communication and data collection requirements
- amendments to the Serious Violence Reduction Order pilot scheme

Codes B, C, D and H have been revised to reflect other changes to police powers made by the National Security Act 2023:

Code I covers detention, treatment and questioning by police of persons in detention under the National Security Act 2023 section 27 and Schedule 6.

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