

## MobileID

### Section 117 Serious and Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (SOCPA)

A constable may take a person's fingerprints without the appropriate consent if:

- a) the constable reasonably suspects that the person is committing or attempting to commit an offence, or has committed or attempted to commit an offence; **and**
- b) **either** of these two conditions are met:
  - i) the name of the person is unknown to, and cannot be readily ascertained by, the constable; **or**
  - ii) the constable has reasonable ground for doubting whether a name furnished by the person as his name is his real name.

Please note:

- The taking of fingerprints by virtue of sub-section 117a does not count for any of the purposes of this act as taking them in the course of the investigation of an investigation by the police.
- This process does not count as a PACE print request for recordable offences.