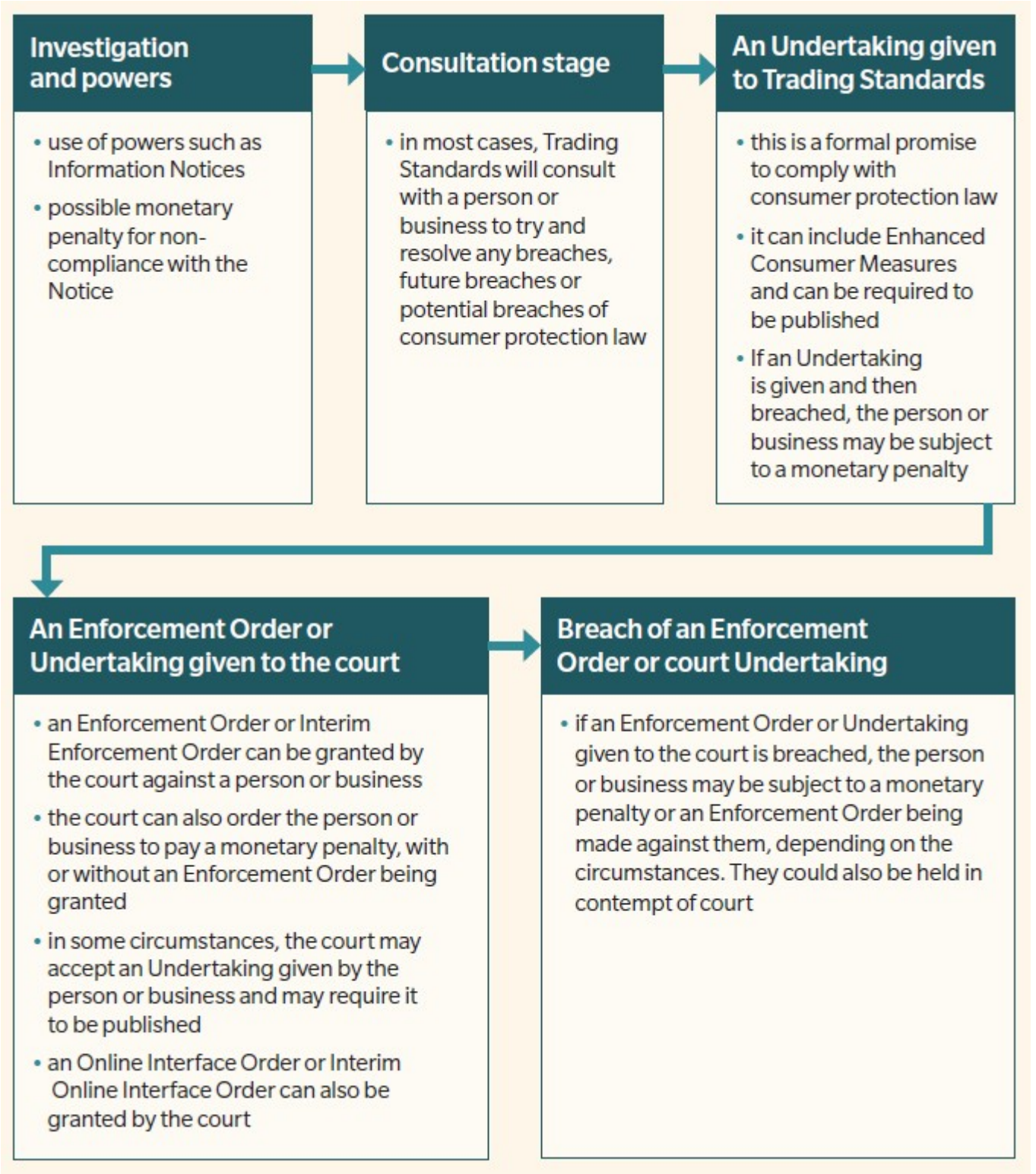
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Part 3. Stages of the civil enforcement regime

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Not all stages in the above diagram must be followed, and enforcers such as Trading Standards can apply for Interim Orders. The diagram gives a general overview of each stage of the civil enforcement regime. The aim is to achieve compliance with consumer protection law. If the law is complied with by the relevant person or business, then no further action would be required after each of these stages.

In addition to the court-based system, the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) can also directly enforce consumer protection law.

Videos on civil enforcement and the CMA's powers can be found in the introduction to this guide.

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