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This book provides a unique insight into the hidden world of informers and related aspects of covert policing in the UK. Edited by the head of the Covert Policing Standards Unit at New Scotland Yard, the book is the first to look behind the scenes of undercover police work since the authorities lifted the rules on secrecy. Covert Human Intelligence Sources contains contributions from a range of disciplines and field of study, including senior police officers, lawyers, and academic commentators. It covers such key matters as: what is meant by Covert Human Intelligence Sources * the legal framework * the UK's Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) * inherent powers and the position at Common Law * 'informers' and 'informants' * working methods and oversight * handlers, controllers, and authorizing officers * dangers and risks * human rights, proportionality, and 'necessity' * corruption and 'noble cause corruption' * protection and the duty of care * undercover officers: strains, duties, and requirements * 'official' participation in crime: how far is it legal? * motives of informers * records and management of information * juvenile informers * texts, public interest immunity, and anonymity * debriefing and human memory * the context of informer relationships * 'ownership' of intelligence and communications * a European perspective * general background, views, and opinions.