



# Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007

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## PART 3

### PENALTIES

#### *Sentencing powers*

#### 47 Fine level

- (1) The maximum fine to which a person is liable on summary conviction of a relevant offence is, by virtue of this subsection, the statutory maximum.
- (2) Accordingly, the specification (by reference to level 5 on the standard scale) of a maximum fine in every relevant penalty provision is, in relation to any relevant offence to which it applies, to be read subject to subsection (1).
- (3) Without prejudice to subsections (1) and (2), the Scottish Ministers may by order amend the specification of a maximum fine in a relevant penalty provision so as to specify, in relation to the relevant offence to which it applies, that the maximum fine to which a person is liable on summary conviction is the statutory maximum.
- (4) The specification (by reference to level 5 on the standard scale) of a maximum fine in a relevant power is, in relation to any offence to which it applies, to be read as the statutory maximum.
- (5) Without prejudice to subsection (4), the Scottish Ministers may by order amend the specification of a maximum fine in a relevant power so as to increase to the statutory maximum the maximum fine specified in the power.
- (6) In this section, a “relevant offence” is an offence under a relevant enactment or instrument which is—
  - (a) triable either on indictment or summary complaint, and
  - (b) punishable on summary conviction with a maximum fine specified as level 5 on the standard scale.

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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(7) In this section—

a “relevant enactment” is an Act passed before this Act,

a “relevant instrument” is any subordinate legislation made before the passing of this Act,

a “relevant penalty provision” is a provision of a relevant enactment or instrument which specifies the penalties to which a person is liable on summary conviction of a relevant offence,

a “relevant power” is a provision of a relevant enactment which confers a power (however expressed) for subordinate legislation to make a person, as regards an offence that is triable either on indictment or summary complaint, liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine specified as level 5 on the standard scale.

(8) For the purposes of subsection (7), reference to the passing of an Act is to be construed, in the case of an Act of the Scottish Parliament (including this Act), as reference to the passing by the Parliament of the Bill for the Act.