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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 6

Section 51.

PROSECUTION AND PUNISHMENT OF OFFENCES

PART I

TABLE OF PUNISHMENTS

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Sch. 6 Pt. I modified (1.11.1968) by [S.I. 1968/1200](#), [art. 3](#)

Section of this Act creating offence	General nature of offence	Mode of prosecution	Punishment	Additional provisions
Section 1(1) ...	Possessing etc. firearm or ammunition without firearm certificate.	(a) Summary ... (b) On indictment	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both. (i) where the offence is committed in an aggravated form within the meaning of section 4(4) of this Act, [^{F27} years], or a fine; or both, (ii) in any other case, [^{F35} years] or a fine; or both.	Paragraph 1 of Part II of this Schedule applies.
Section 1(2) ...	Non-compliance with condition of firearm certificate.	Summary	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	Paragraph 1 of Part II of this Schedule applies.
Section 2(1) ...	Possessing, etc., shot gun	[^{F5} (a) Summary.]	[^{F5} 6 months or the statutory	Paragraph 1 of Part II of this Schedule applies.

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	without shot gun certificate.		maximum or both.]	
		[^{F5} (b) On indictment.]	[^{F5} [^{F6} 5 years] or a fine; or both.]	
Section 2(2) ...	Non-compliance with condition of shot gun certificate.	Summary...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	Paragraph 1 of Part II of this Schedule applies.
Section 3(1) ...	Trading in firearms without being registered as firearms dealer.	(a) Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	
		(b) On indictment	[^{F7} 5 years] or a fine; or both.	
Section 3(2) ...	Selling firearm to person without a certificate.	(a) Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	
		(b) On indictment	[^{F8} 5 years] or a fine; or both.	
Section 3(3) ...	Repairing, testing etc. firearm for person without a certificate.	(a) Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	
		(b) On indictment	[^{F9} 5 years] or a fine; or both.	
Section 3(5) ...	Falsifying certificate, etc., with view to acquisition of firearm.	(a) Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	
		(b) On indictment	[^{F10} 5 years] or [^{F11} a fine]; or both.	
Section 3(6) ...	Pawnbroker taking firearm in pawn.	Summary	3 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]; or both.	
[^{F12} Section 3(7)	Pawnbroker taking air weapon in pawn (Scotland only).	Summary	3 months or a fine of level 3 on the standard scale; or both.]	
Section 4(1)(3)	Shortening a shot gun; conversion of firearms.	(a) Summary...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	

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		(b) On indictment	[^{F13} 7 years] or a fine; or both.	
[^{F14} Section 5(1) (a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) [^{F15} , (ag), (ba)] or (c)	Possessing ^{F16} ... prohibited weapons or ammunition.	On indictment	10 years or a fine, or both.	
Section 5(1)(b)	Possessing ^{F17} ... prohibited weapon designed for discharge of noxious liquid etc.	(a) Summary (b) On indictment	6 months or a fine of the statutory maximum, or both. 10 years or a fine or both.	
Section 5(1A)(a)	Possessing ^{F18} ... firearm disguised as other object.	On indictment	10 years or a fine, or both.	
Section 5(1A) (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (g)	Possessing ^{F19} ... other prohibited weapons.	(a) Summary (b) On indictment	6 months or a fine of the statutory maximum, or both. 10 years or a fine, or both.]	
[^{F20} Section 5(2A)	Manufacturing or distributing, or possessing for distribution, prohibited weapons or ammunition	On indictment	Imprisonment for life.]	
Section 5(5) ...	Non-compliance with condition of Defence Council authority.	Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 5(6) ...	Non-compliance with requirements to surrender authority to possess, etc., prohibited weapon or ammunition.	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale].	
Section 6(3) ...	Contravention of order under s. 6 (or	Summary	3 months or, for each firearm or parcel of	Paragraph 2 of Part II of this Schedule applies.

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	corresponding Northern Irish order) restricting removal of arms.		ammunition in respect of which the offence is committed, a fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 7(2) ...	Making false statement in order to obtain police permit.	Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 9(3) ...	Making false statement in order to obtain permit for auction of firearms, etc.	[^{F21} Summary]	[^{F21} 6 months or a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale; or both.]	
Section 13(2) ...	Making false statement in order to obtain permit for removal of signalling apparatus.	Summary. ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 16 ...	Possession of firearm with intent to endanger life or injure property.	On indictment ...	[^{F22} life imprisonment] or a fine; or . . . ^{F23} both.	
[^{F24} Section 16A]	[^{F24} Possession of firearm with intent to cause fear of violence.]	[^{F24} On indictment]	[^{F24} 10 years or a fine; or both.]	
^{F24} Section 17(1) ...	Use of firearms to resist arrest.	On indictment ...	[^{F22} life imprisonment] or a fine; or, . . . ^{F23} both.	Paragraphs 3 to 5 of Part II of this Schedule apply.
Section 17(2) ...	Possessing firearm while committing an offence specified in Schedule 1 or, in Scotland, an offence specified in Schedule 2.	On indictment ...	[^{F25} Life imprisonment] or a fine; or . . . ^{F23} both.	Paragraphs 3 and 6 of Part II of this Schedule apply.

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Section 18(1) ...	Carrying firearms or imitation firearm with intent commit indictable offence (or, in Scotland, an offence specified in Schedule 2) or to resist arrest.	On indictment ...	[^{F25} Life imprisonment] or a fine; or, . . . ^{F23} b oth.
Section 19 ...	Carrying [^{F26} firearm or imitation firearm] in public place.	(a) Summary... [^{F27} except if the firearm is a firearm specified in section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae) or (af) or section 5(1A) (a) of this Act.] (b) On indictment (but not ^{F28} . . . if the firearm is an air weapon).	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both. [^{F29} 7 years.]or a fine; or both.
Section 20(1) ...	Trespassing with firearm [^{F30} or imitation firearm] in a building.	(a) Summary ... [^{F27} except if the firearm is a firearm specified in section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae) or (af) or section 5(1A) (a) of this Act.] (b) On indictment (but not [^{F30} in the case of an imitation firearm or] if the firearm is an air weapon).	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both. [^{F31} 7 years]or a fine; or both.
Section 20(2) ...	Trespassing with firearm	Summary	3 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 4 on the standard scale]; or both.

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	[^{F32} or imitation firearm] on land.			
Section 21(4) ...	Contravention of provisions denying firearms to ex-prisoners and the like.	(a) Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	
		(b) On indictment	[^{F33} 5 years] or a fine; or both.	
Section 21(5) ...	Supplying firearms to person denied them under section 21.	(a) Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F1} £400]; or both.	
		(b) On indictment	[^{F34} 5 years] or a fine; or both.	
[^{F35} Section [^{F36} 21A][^{F36} 21A(1) and (1A)]	Person making improper use of air weapon	Summary	A fine of level 3 on the standard scale	Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Pt II of this Schedule apply.]
[^{F37} Section 22(1)	Person under 18 acquiring firearm	Summary	(i) where the offence is committed by a person aged 17 in relation to a firearm other than an air weapon or ammunition other than ammunition for an air weapon, 3 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both; (ii) in any other case, 6 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both.]	
^{F38} Section 22(1A)..	Person under 18 using certificated firearm for unauthorised purpose.	Summary...	3 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both.	
Section 22(2) ...	Person under 14 having firearm in his possession	Summary	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5	

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	without lawful authority.		on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 22(3) ...	Person under 15 having with him a shot gun without adult supervision.	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]	Paragraph 8 of Part II of this Schedule applies.
[^{F39} Section 22(4) ...]	[^{F39} Person under [^{F40} 18] having with him an air weapon or ammunition therefor.]	[^{F39} Summary]	[^{F39} A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard s cale]]	[^{F39} Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Part II of this Schedule apply.]
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[^{F42} Section 23(1) ...]	[^{F42} [^{F43} Person supervising a person under 18 and allowing him to make improper use of air weapon]]	[^{F42} Summary]	[^{F42} A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard s cale]]	[^{F42} Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Part II of this Schedule apply.]
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[^{F45} Section 24(1)	Selling or letting on hire a firearm to a person under 18	Summary	(i) where the offence is committed in relation to a person aged 17 and in relation to a firearm other than an air weapon or ammunition other than ammunition for an air weapon, 3 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both; (ii) in any other case, 6 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both.]	
Section 24(2) ...	Supplying firearm or	Summary	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5	

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	ammunition (being of a kind to which section 1 of this Act applies) to person under 14.		on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 24(3) ...	Making gift of shot gun to person under 15.	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]	Paragraph 9 of Part II of this Schedule applies.
Section 24(4) ...	Supplying air weapon to person under [^{F46} 18] .	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]	Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Part II of this Schedule apply.
[^{F47} Section 24ZA(1)	Failing to prevent minors from having air weapons	Summary	A fine of level 3 on the standard scale.	Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Part II of this Schedule apply.]
[^{F48} Section 24A(1) or (2)	Acquisition by a minor of an imitation firearm and supplying him.	Summary	In England and Wales, 51 weeks or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale, or both. In Scotland, 6 months, or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale, or both.]	
Section 25 ...	Supplying firearm to person drunk or insane.	Summary	3 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]; or both.	
[^{F49} Section 28A(7)] ...	Making false statement in order to procure grant or renewal of a firearm or shot gun certificate.	Summary	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 29(3) ...	Making false statement in order to procure variation of a firearm certificate.	Summary	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.	
[^{F50} Section 30D(3)]...	Failing to surrender certificate on revocation.	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale].	

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Section 38(8) ...	Failure to surrender certificate of registration [^{F52} or register of transactions] on removal of firearms dealer's name from register.	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale].
Section 39(1) ...	Making false statement in order to secure registration or entry in register of a place of business.	Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.
Section 39(2) ...	Registered firearms dealer having place of business not entered in the register.	Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.
Section 39(3) ...	Non-compliance with condition of registration.	Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.
Section 40(5) ...	Non-compliance by firearms dealer with provisions as to register of transactions; making false entry in register.	Summary ...	6 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 5 on the standard scale]; or both.
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[^{F54} Section 42A...	Failure to report transaction authorised by	Summary...	3 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both.]

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	visitor's shot gun permit.			
[^{F55} Section 46.]	[^{F55} Obstructing constable or civilian officer in exercise of search powers.]	[^{F55} Summary.]	[^{F55} 6 months or a fine of level 5 on the standard scale; or both.]	
^{F55} Section 47(2) ...	Failure to hand over firearm or ammunition on demand by constable.	Summary ...	3 months or a fine of [^{F4} level 4 on the standard scale]; or both.	
Section 48(3) ...	Failure to comply with requirement of a constable that a person shall declare his name and address.	Summary	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale].	
^{F51} ...	^{F51} ...	^{F51} ...	^{F51} ...	
Section 49(3) ...	Failure to give constable facilities for examination of firearms in transit, or to produce papers.	Summary	3 months or, for each firearm or parcel of ammunition in respect of which the offence is committed, a fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale]; or both.	Paragraph 2 of Part II of this Schedule applies.
Section 52(2)(c)	Failure to surrender firearm or shot gun certificate cancelled by court on conviction.	A fine of [^{F4} level 3 on the standard scale].		

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted by [Criminal Justice Act 1972 \(c. 71\)](#), **ss. 28(1)(5)**, 66(7)(a)
- F2** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 1(1) substituted (3.2.1995) by [Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F3** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 1(1) substituted (3.2.1995) by [Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F4** Words substituted by virtue of (E.W.) [Criminal Justice Act 1982 \(c. 48\)](#), SIF 39:1), **ss. 38**, 46 and (S.) [Criminal Procedure \(Scotland\) Act 1975 \(c. 21\)](#), SIF 39:1), **ss. 289F**, 289G

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- F5** Words substituted by Criminal Justice Act 1988 (c. 33, SIF 39:1), ss. 44(2)(4), 123(6), **Sch. 8 para. 16**
- F6** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 2(1) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F7** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 3(1) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F8** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 3(2) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F9** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 3(3) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F10** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 3(5) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F11** Words substituted by Criminal Justice Act 1972 (c. 71), **ss. 28(1)(4)**, 66(7)(a)
- F12** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 inserted (10.4.2017) by The Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/452), arts. 1(2), **2(3)**
- F13** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 4(1)(3) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F14** Sch. 6 Pt. 1: entries relating to s. 5(1)(1A) substituted (22.1.2004) by Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44), **ss. 288**, 336; S.I. 2004/81, **art. 3(2)(b)**
- F15** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 inserted (16.5.2019) by Offensive Weapons Act 2019 (c. 17), **ss. 54(7)(a)**, 70(5)(g)
- F16** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 omitted (14.7.2014) by virtue of Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), **ss. 108(7)(a)**, 185(1) (with ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93); S.I. 2014/949, art. 6(a)
- F17** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 omitted (14.7.2014) by virtue of Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), **ss. 108(7)(b)**, 185(1) (with ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93); S.I. 2014/949, art. 6(a)
- F18** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 omitted (14.7.2014) by virtue of Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), **ss. 108(7)(c)**, 185(1) (with ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93); S.I. 2014/949, art. 6(a)
- F19** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 omitted (14.7.2014) by virtue of Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), **ss. 108(7)(d)**, 185(1) (with ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93); S.I. 2014/949, art. 6(a)
- F20** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 inserted (14.7.2014) by Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), **ss. 108(8)**, 185(1) (with ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93); S.I. 2014/949, art. 6(a)
- F21** Words substituted by Firearms (Amendment) Act 1988 (c. 45, SIF 51:1), **s. 23(7)**
- F22** Words substituted by Criminal Justice Act 1972 (c. 71), **ss. 28(1)(2)**, 66(7)(a)
- F23** Words repealed by Criminal Justice Act 1972 (c. 71), ss. 28(6), 66(7)(a), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**
- F24** Sch. 6 Pt. I: entry relating to s. 16A inserted (21.9.1994) by 1994 c. 31, **ss. 1(2)**, 4(2) (with s. 4(3))
- F25** Words substituted by Criminal Justice Act 1988 (c. 33, SIF 39:1), ss. 44(3)(4), 123(6), **Sch. 8 para. 16**
- F26** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 2 of entry relating to s. 19 substituted (20.1.2004) by Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 (2003 c. 38), **ss. 37(2)(a)**, 93; S.I. 2003/3300, **art. 2(c)(i)**
- F27** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words inserted (6.4.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 30(4)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/858, **art. 2(d)**
- F28** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words omitted (1.10.2007) by virtue of Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 41(1)(a)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/2518, **art. 2**
- F29** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 3 of entry relating to s. 19 substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), ss. 157(3)(9), 172(2), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F30** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in entry relating to s. 20(1) inserted (21.9.1994) by 1994 c. 31, **ss. 2(3)(a)**, 4(2) (with s. 4(3))
- F31** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 20(1) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F32** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in entry relating to s. 20(2) inserted (21.9.1994) by 1994 c. 31, **ss. 2(3)(b)**, 4(2) (with s. 4(3))
- F33** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 21(4) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**
- F34** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in column 4 of entry relating to s. 21(5) substituted (3.2.1995) by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33), s. 157(3)(9), **Sch. 8 Pt. III**; S.I. 1995/127, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**

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- F35** Sch 6 Pt I: entry inserted (1.10.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 34(4)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 3(d)**
- F36** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 substituted (S.) (31.12.2016) by Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 10), s. 88(2), **sch. 2 para. 1(10)(a)(i)**; S.S.I. 2016/130, art. 3(c)
- F37** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. I substituted (28.7.2010) by Firearms (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/1759), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(a)**
- F38** Sch. 6 Pt. I: the entry relating to s. 22(1A) inserted (1.1.1993) by S.I. 1992/2823, **reg. 4(4)**.
- F39** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 repealed (S.) (31.12.2016) by Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 10), s. 88(2), **sch. 2 para. 1(10)(a)(ii)**; S.S.I. 2016/130, art. 3(c)
- F40** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words in entry substituted (1.10.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 33(6)(b)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 3(c)**
- F41** Sch. 6 Pt. I: entry relating to s. 22(5) repealed (20.1.2004) by Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 (c. 38), **ss.38(5)(b)**, 92, 93, **Sch. 3**; S.I. 2003/3300, **art. 2(c)(ii)(g)(ii)(a)**
- F42** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 repealed (S.) (31.12.2016) by Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 10), s. 88(2), **sch. 2 para. 1(10)(a)(iii)**; S.S.I. 2016/130, art. 3(c)
- F43** Sch. 6 Pt I: words in entry substituted (1.10.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 34(5)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 3(d)**
- F44** Sch. 6 Pt I: entry repealed (1.10.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 65**, 66(2), **Sch. 5**; S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 4(f)(i)**
- F45** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. I substituted (28.7.2010) by Firearms (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/1759), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(b)**
- F46** Sch. 6 Pt. I: word in entry substituted (1.10.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 33(6)(d)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 3(c)**
- F47** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. I inserted (10.2.2011) by Crime and Security Act 2010 (c. 17), **ss. 46(4)**, 59(1); S.I. 2011/144, art. 2
- F48** Sch. 6 Pt I: entry inserted (1.10.2007) by Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38), **ss. 40(2)**, 66(2); S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 3(i)**
- F49** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words "Section 28A(7)" substituted for the words "Section 26(5)" (1.7.1997) by 1997 c. 5, s. 52(1), **Sch. 2 para. 4(2)**; S.I. 1997/1535, art. 3(b), **Sch. Pt. I**
- F50** Sch. 6 Pt. I: words "Section 30D(3)" substituted for words "Section 30(4)" (1.7.1997) by 1997 c. 5, s. 52(1), **Sch. 2 para. 14**; S.I. 1997/1535, art. 3(b), **Sch. Pt. I**
- F51** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 1 omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/742), regs. 1, **59(12)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F52** Words inserted by Firearms (Amendment) Act 1988 (c. 45, SIF 51:1), **s. 14(I)**
- F53** Sch. 6 Pt. I: entry relating to s. 42 repealed (1.10.1997) by 1997 c. 5, s. 52(1), **Sch. 3**; S.I. 1997/1535, art. 3(c), **Sch. Pt. II**
- F54** Sch. 6 Pt. I: the entry relating to s. 42A inserted (1.1.1993) by S.I. 1992/2823, **reg. 6(3)**.
- F55** Sch. 6 Pt. I: entry relating to s. 46 inserted (1.7.1997) by 1997 c. 5, **s. 43(3)**; S.I. 1997/1535, art. 3(b), **Sch. Pt. I**

PART II

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS AS TO TRIAL AND PUNISHMENT OF OFFENCES

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F56

Textual Amendments

- F56** Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 1 repealed by Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 62, SIF 39:1), s. 83(3), **Sch. 8**

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2 In the case of an offence against section 6(3) or 49(3) of this Act, the court before which the offender is convicted may, if the offender is the owner of the firearms or ammunition, make such order as to the forfeiture of the firearms or ammunition as the court thinks fit.

[^{F57} ~~¶~~^{F58} (1) Where in England or Wales a person who has attained the age of seventeen is charged before a magistrates' court with an offence triable either way listed in [^{F59}Schedule 1 to the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980] ("the listed offence") and is also charged before that court with an offence under section 17(1) or (2) of this Act, the following provisions of this paragraph shall apply.

(2) Subject to the following sub-paragraph the court shall proceed as if the listed offence were triable only on indictment and [^{F60}sections 18 to 23 of the said Act of 1980] (procedure for determining mode of trial of offences triable either way) shall not apply in relation to that offence.

(3) If the court determines not to commit the accused for trial in respect of the offence under section 17(1) or (2), or if proceedings before the court for that offence are otherwise discontinued, the preceding sub-paragraph shall cease to apply as from the time when this occurs and—

(a) if at that time the court has not yet begun to inquire into the listed offence as examining justices, the court shall, in the case of the listed offence, proceed in the ordinary way in accordance with [^{F61}the said sections 18 to 23]; but

(b) if at that time the court has begun so to inquire into the listed offence, those sections shall continue not to apply and the court shall proceed with its inquiry into that offence as examining justices, but shall have power in accordance with [^{F61}section 25(3) and (4) of the said Act of 1980] to change to summary trial with the accused's consent.]]

Textual Amendments

F57 Para. 3 substituted by [Criminal Law Act 1977 \(c. 45\)](#), [Sch. 12](#)

F58 Sch. 6 para. 3 repealed (18.6.2012 for specified purposes, 5.11.2012 for specified purposes, 28.5.2013 for specified purposes) by [Criminal Justice Act 2003 \(c. 44\)](#), s. 336(3)(4), [Sch. 3 para. 45](#), [Sch. 37 Pt. 4](#); [S.I. 2012/1320](#), art. 4(1)(c)(d)(2)(3) (with art. 5) (see [S.I. 2012/2574](#), art. 4(2) and [S.I. 2013/1103](#), art. 4); [S.I. 2012/2574](#), art. 2(2)(3)(c)(d), [Sch. \(with arts. 34\)](#) (as amended (4.11.2012) by [S.I. 2012/2761](#), art. 2) (with [S.I. 2013/1103](#), art. 4); [S.I. 2013/1103](#), art. 2(1)(c)(d)(2)(3) (with arts. 34)

F59 Words substituted by [Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 \(c. 43, SIF 82\)](#), s. 154, [Sch. 7 para. 73\(a\)](#)

F60 Words substituted by [Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 \(c. 43, SIF 82\)](#), s. 154, [Sch. 7 para. 73\(b>\)](#)

F61 Words substituted by [Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 \(c. 43, SIF 82\)](#), s. 154, [Sch. 7 para. 73\(c\)](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 3(1) extended (E.W.) by [Criminal Attempts Act 1981 \(c. 47, SIF 39:1\)](#), s. 7(2)

4 Where a person commits an offence under section 17(1) of this Act in respect of the lawful arrest or detention of himself for any other offence committed by him, he shall be liable to the penalty provided by Part I of this Schedule in addition to any penalty to which he may be sentenced for the other offence.

5 If on the trial of a person for an offence under section 17(1) of this Act the jury are not satisfied that he is guilty of that offence but are satisfied that he is guilty of an offence under section 17(2), the jury may find him guilty of the offence under section 17(2) and he shall then be punishable accordingly.

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- 6 The punishment to which a person is liable for an offence under section 17(2) of this Act shall be in addition to any punishment to which he may be liable for the offence first referred to in section 17(2).
- 7 The court by which a person is convicted of an offence under section [F62[F63 21A,][F64 22(4), 23(1)][F63 21A(1), 21A(1A), 22(3)]F65. . . [F66, 24(4) or 24ZA(1)] of this Act may make such order as it thinks fit as to the forfeiture or disposal of the air weapon or ammunition in respect of which the offence was committed.

Textual Amendments

- F62** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 2 para. 7 inserted (1.10.2007) by [Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 \(c. 38\), s. 34\(6\)\(a\)](#), [66\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2007/2180, art. 3\(d\)](#)
- F63** Words in Sch. 6 para. 7 substituted (S.) (31.12.2016) by [Air Weapons and Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(asp 10\), s. 88\(2\), sch. 2 para. 1\(10\)\(b\)\(i\)](#); [S.S.I. 2016/130, art. 3\(c\)](#)
- F64** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 2 para. 7 substituted (20.1.2004) by [Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 \(c. 38\), ss.38\(6\)\(a\), 93](#); [S.I. 2003/3300, art. 2\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- F65** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 2 para. 7 repealed (1.10.2007) by [Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 \(c. 38\), s. 65, 66\(2\), Sch. 5](#); [S.I. 2007/2180, art. 4\(f\)\(i\)](#)
- F66** Words in Sch. 6 para. 7 substituted (10.2.2011) by [Crime and Security Act 2010 \(c. 17\), ss. 46\(5\), 59\(1\)](#); [S.I. 2011/144, art. 2](#)

- 8 The court by which a person is convicted of an offence under section [F67[F68 21A,][F69 22(3) or (4), 23(1)][F68 21A(1), 21A(1A), 22(3)]F70. . . [F71, 24(4) or 24ZA(1)] may make such order as it thinks fit as to the forfeiture or disposal of any firearm or ammunition found in his possession.

Textual Amendments

- F67** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 2 para. 8 inserted (1.10.2007) by [Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 \(c. 38\), ss. 34\(6\)\(b\), 66\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2007/2180, art. 3\(d\)](#)
- F68** Words in Sch. 6 para. 8 substituted (S.) (31.12.2016) by [Air Weapons and Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(asp 10\), s. 88\(2\), sch. 2 para. 1\(10\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#); [S.S.I. 2016/130, art. 3\(c\)](#)
- F69** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 2 para. 8 substituted (20.1.2004) by [Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 \(c. 38\), ss. 38\(6\)\(b\), 93](#); [S.I. 2003/3300, art. 2\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- F70** Words in Sch. 6 Pt. 2 para. 8 repealed (1.10.2007) by [Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 \(c. 38\), ss. 65, 66\(2\), Sch. 5](#); [S.I. 2007/2180, art. 4\(f\)\(i\)](#)
- F71** Words in Sch. 6 para. 8 substituted (10.2.2011) by [Crime and Security Act 2010 \(c. 17\), ss. 46\(5\), 59\(1\)](#); [S.I. 2011/144, art. 2](#)

- 9 The court by which a person is convicted of an offence under section 24(3) of this Act may make such order as it thinks fit as to the forfeiture or disposal of the shot gun or ammunition in respect of which the offence was committed.

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