



Magistrates' Courts Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 43

PART I

CRIMINAL JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURE

Jurisdiction to issue process and deal with charges

[^{F1}3B Transfer of trials of summary offences.

- (1) Where a person is required to appear, or to be brought, before a magistrates' court on an information charging him with a summary offence, he or the prosecutor may apply to the court for the offence to be tried by a magistrates' court which is named in the application but which would not, apart from subsection (2) below, have jurisdiction to try the offence.
- (2) Where an application under this section is granted, the court named in it shall have jurisdiction to try the offence.
- (3) The Lord Chancellor may make regulations specifying—
 - (a) matters which a court must consider in deciding whether to grant or refuse an application under this section; and
 - (b) circumstances in which a court must grant or refuse such an application.
- (4) The power to make regulations under subsection (3) above shall be exercisable by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment by resolution of either House of Parliament.]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 3B inserted (*prosp.*) by 1999 c. 22, ss. 80(1), 108(1) (with [Sch. 14 para. 7\(2\)](#))

Status:

Point in time view as at 04/05/1999. This version of this provision never came into effect.

Changes to legislation:

Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, Section 3B is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 14 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.