



# Landmines Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 33

### *Securing the destruction of anti-personnel mines*

#### **12 Offences relating to destruction etc.**

- (1) A person is guilty of an offence if—
  - (a) a copy of a notice has been served on him under section 7;
  - (b) the notice related to an object in his possession at the time the copy was served;
  - (c) he relinquishes possession of the object before the date specified under section 7(2)(e); and
  - (d) he has no reasonable excuse for so relinquishing possession.
- (2) A person is guilty of an offence if he wilfully obstructs another in the doing by that other of any of the following—
  - (a) entering or searching premises under an authorisation given or warrant issued under section 8(1) or (2) or 10(6) or (7);
  - (b) making an object safe, seizing or removing an object, or affixing a warning, under section 8(5);
  - (c) destroying an object under an authorisation given under section 9(4) or 10(6) or (7);
  - (d) attempting to do anything mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c).
- (3) A person is guilty of an offence if—
  - (a) a warning relating to an object has been affixed under section 8(5);
  - (b) he interferes with the warning or, before the date specified in the warning, moves or interferes with the object; and
  - (c) he has no reasonable excuse for doing so.
- (4) A person guilty of an offence under any of the preceding provisions of this section is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine of an amount not exceeding the statutory maximum;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.

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- (5) A person who knowingly makes a false or misleading statement in response to a copy of a notice served under section 7, 9 or 10 is guilty of an offence and liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to a fine of an amount not exceeding the statutory maximum;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine or to both.

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