

*These notes refer to the Justice Act (Northern Ireland)  
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# Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 9: Miscellaneous**

#### ***Section 93: Possession of offensive weapon with intent to commit an offence***

This section replaces part of section 4 of the Vagrancy Act 1824, the offence of being armed with a dangerous or offensive weapon with intent to commit an arrestable offence. It creates an equivalent, free-standing offence with increased penalties of up to 4 years' imprisonment; an unlimited fine; or both on conviction on indictment.