

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

**1979 No. 1709**

**Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979**

**[<sup>F1</sup>Penalties**

**21.**—(1) [<sup>F2</sup>Subject to Article 5A(7), any person] who contravenes—

- (a) any provision contained in building regulations; or
- (b) a contravention notice,

shall be guilty of an offence under this Order.

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<sup>F3</sup>(1A) Any person who—

- (a) gives a notice or certificate or makes an application that—
  - (i) purports to comply with the requirements of this Order or of any provision contained in building regulations; and
  - (ii) contains a statement that that person knows to be false or misleading in a material particular; or
- (b) recklessly gives a notice or certificate or makes an application that—
  - (i) purports to comply with those requirements; and
  - (ii) contains a statement that is false or misleading in a material particular,

is guilty of an offence under this Order.]

(2) Any person guilty of an offence—

- (a) under Article 11(6) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale;
- (b) under any other provision of this Order shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale and to a further fine not exceeding one-tenth of level 5 on the standard scale for each day during which the offence continues after he is convicted.

(3) The court by which a person is originally convicted of an offence referred to in paragraph (2) (b) may fix a reasonable period from the date of conviction for the defendant to comply with any directions given by the court and where the court has fixed such a period, the daily fine referred to in paragraph (2)(b) shall not be recoverable in respect of any day before the period expires.]

**F1** 1990 NI 14

**F2** Words in art. 21(1) substituted (15.5.2012) by [Building Regulations \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009](#) (c. 4), **ss. 5(2), 15(4)**; S.R. 2012/186, art. 2(b)

**F3** Art. 21(1A) inserted (31.8.2009) by [Building Regulations \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009](#) (c. 4), **ss. 10, 15(4)**; S.R. 2009/272, **art. 2(e)**

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, Section 21.