
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 1141

The Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

Miscellaneous and supplementary

Amendments, repeals and saving

32.—(1) In section 1 of the Criminal Procedure (Majority Verdicts) Act (Northern Ireland) 1971, for subsection (1) there shall be substituted the following subsection—

“(1) Subject to the following provisions of this section, the verdict of a jury in criminal proceedings need not be unanimous if—

(a) in a case where there are not less than eleven jurors, ten of them agree on the verdict; and

(b) in a case where there are ten jurors, nine of them agree on the verdict.

(1A) A verdict agreed upon as described in subsection (1) is in this section referred to as “a majority verdict”.”.

(2) In Schedule 5 to the Fines and Penalties (Northern Ireland) Order 1984 (fines or other sums that may be altered by order of the Secretary of State) there shall be added at the end the following entry—

“Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (NI)	Article 26 (defaulting jurors)	£1,000”.
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(3) The statutory provisions specified in Schedule 5 are hereby repealed or revoked to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.

(4) Nothing in this Order except Articles 14(1) and 22 shall prejudice any power to make rules of court.