
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 1320

The Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

PART III **N.I.**

SENTENCE

Introductory

Penalty points to be taken into account on conviction **N.I.**

31.—(1) Where a person is convicted of an offence involving obligatory endorsement, the penalty points to be taken into account on that occasion are (subject to paragraph (2))—

- (a) any that are to be attributed to the offence or offences of which he is convicted, disregarding any offence in respect of which an order under Article 35 is made, and
- (b) any that were on a previous occasion ordered to be endorsed on the counterpart of any licence held by him [^{F1}or on his driving record], unless the offender has since that occasion and before the conviction been disqualified under Article 40.

(2) If any of the offences was committed more than 3 years before another, the penalty points in respect of that offence shall not be added to those in respect of the other.

F1 Words in art. 31(1)(b) inserted (14.12.2010) by Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/916 (N.I. 10)), arts. 1(3)(5), 39(6), **Sch. 4 para. 3**; S.R. 2010/370, **art. 2(2)**, Sch. Pt. II

Changes to legislation:

The Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, Section 31 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 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.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [art. 31\(1\)\(b\) words repealed by S.I. 2007/916 \(N.I.\) Sch. 5 para. 30Sch. 8 Pt. 5](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- [art. 15\(1\) power to apply conferred by SI 1981/154 \(N.I. 1\) Sch. 2A para. 7 \(as inserted\) by S.I. 2007/916 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3](#)
- [art. 31\(3\) inserted by S.I. 2007/916 \(N.I.\) art. 10\(2\)](#)
- [art. 35\(1ZA\)-\(1ZC\) inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 12\(2\)](#)
- [art. 35\(3A\) inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 13\(2\)](#)
- [art. 36\(3A\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(3\)\(d\)](#)
- [art. 36\(4A\) inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 14\(2\)](#)
- [art. 36\(9\)\(b\) word inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 14\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- [art. 36\(9\)\(c\) word repealed by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 14\(5\)\(b\)Sch. 2](#)
- [art. 36\(9\)\(d\) repealed by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 14\(5\)\(c\)Sch. 2](#)
- [art. 37\(2A\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- [art. 38A\(5A\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- [art. 38A\(6A\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(5\)\(e\)](#)
- [art. 42\(2A\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(7\)\(c\)](#)
- [art. 47\(3A\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(8\)\(b\)](#)
- [art. 47\(3B\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(8\)\(c\)](#)
- [art. 52\(2ZA\) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 92\(9\)\(b\)](#)
- [art. 54A inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 15](#)
- [art. 59\(2A\) inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 8\(2\)](#)
- [art. 59\(4\) added by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 8\(3\)](#)
- [art. 59A-59C inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 9\(1\)](#)
- [art. 63A\(7\) added by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 11\(1\)\(d\)](#)
- [art. 64B inserted by 2016 c. 11 \(N.I.\) s. 8\(5\)](#)