

UNAUTHORISED ENCAMPMENTS(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2005

S.I. 2005 1961

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS

Article 6: Failure to comply with direction under Article 5: offences

Paragraphs (1) to (4) create an offence, for which a person may be arrested, if he fails to comply with a direction under Article 5(1) to leave land, or within 3 months, trespasses on any land in the district council area with the intention of residing there. The maximum penalty is 3 months imprisonment or a level 4 fine, or both.

Paragraph (5) provides for defences which can be mounted in court proceedings for an offence under Article 6.