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4 5	In section 33(4) of the Criminal Justice Act 1925 for
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6	In section 46(1A) of the Children and Young Persons Act
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17 18 19	In section 37(7) of the Sexual Offences Act 1956—In Part II of Schedule 2 to the Sexual Offences
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20 21 22	In section 5(5) of the Affiliation Proceedings Act 1957 for In section 6A of the Affiliation Proceedings Act 1957—
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23 24	In section 18 of the Maintenance Orders Act 1958— In section 21(1) of the Maintenance Orders Act 1958 for
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27 28	In section 9 of the Manoeuvres Act 1958 for "the
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103	In section 26(1) of the Fire Precautions Act 1971 for
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104	In section 6(2) of the Immigration Act 1971 for "section
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141 142	In section 66(2) of the Adoption Act 1976 for "section In section 72(1) of the Adoption Act 1976, in the
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	Civil Aviation Act 1978 (c. 8)
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169	Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30) In Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Act 1978—
	Theft Act 1978 (c. 31)
170	In section 4(3)(b) of the Theft Act 1978 for "section
	Protection of Children Act 1978 (c. 37)
171 172 173	In section 6(3)(b) of the Protection of Children Act 1978
	Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 (c. 44)
174 175	In section 107(5)(a) of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978
	Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 (c. 2)
176 177 178	In section 147(2) of the Customs and Excise Management Act In section 151 of the Customs and Excise Management Act In section 171(2)(a) of the Customs and Excise Management Act
	Customs and Excise Duties (General Reliefs) Act 1979 (c. 3)
179	In section 15(3)(a) of the Customs and Excise (General Reliefs)
	Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 (c. 4)
180	In section 49(1) of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979
	Hydrocarbon Oils Duties Act 1979 (c. 5)
181	In section 27(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oils Duties Act 1979
	Agricultural Statistics Act 1979 (c. 13)
182	In section 6(1) of the Agricultural Statistics Act 1979, in
	Credit Unions Act 1979 (c. 34)
183 184	In section 31(1) of the Credit Unions Act 1979, in
	Estate Agents Act 1979 (c. 38)
185	In section 33(1) of the Estates Agents Act 1979, in
	Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (c. 39)
186 187	In section 42(4) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 for In section 43(5) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 for

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198	In section 5 of the Isle of Man Act 1979—
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202	In section 4(2) of the Residential Homes Act 1980 for
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	Companies Act 1980 (c. 22)
207	In section 87(1) of the Companies Act 1980, in the
SC	CHEDULE 8 — TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND SAVINGS

Interpretation

In this Schedule references to the old enactments are to...

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Proceedings commenced before appointed day

2 (1) Where proceedings were commenced before the appointed day, the...

Offences committed before appointed day

3 (1) This paragraph applies where proceedings are commenced under this...

Other matters: general

- 4 Paragraphs 5 and 6 below have effect subject to paragraphs...
- 5 Without prejudice to any express amendment made by this Act,...
- 6 Where a period of time specified in an enactment repealed...

Saving for transitionals in orders

7 (1) This paragraph applies where any provision of an old...

Savings of amendments

8 Notwithstanding the repeal by this Act of the Magistrates' Courts...

Savings for Local Government Act 1972

9 The provisions of this Act shall have effect without prejudice...

Scottish saving

10 (1) This paragraph applies to Schedule 7B to the Criminal...

SCHEDULE 9 — REPEALS

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/07/1992.

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