



Magistrates' Courts Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 43

PART VI

RECOGNIZANCES

Other provisions

119 Postponement of taking recognizance.

- (1) Where a magistrates' court has power to take any recognizance, the court may, instead of taking it, fix the amount in which the principal and his sureties, if any, are to be bound; and thereafter the recognizance may be taken by any such person as may be prescribed.
- (2) Where, in pursuance of this section, a recognizance is entered into otherwise than before the court that fixed the amount of it, the same consequences shall follow as if it had been entered into before that court; and references in this or any other Act to the court before which a recognizance was entered into shall be construed accordingly.
- (3) Nothing in this section shall enable a magistrates' court to alter the amount of a recognizance fixed by the High Court [^{F1}or the Crown Court].

Textual Amendments

F1 Words added by [Criminal Justice Act 1982 \(c. 48, SIF 39:1\)](#) s. 77, Sch. 14 para. 55

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Changes to legislation:

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