



# Magistrates' Courts Act 1980

## 1980 CHAPTER 43

### PART III

#### SATISFACTION AND ENFORCEMENT

##### *Sums adjudged to be paid by a conviction*

#### **91 Transfer of fines from Scotland or Northern Ireland.**

- (1) Where a transfer of fine order under section 403 of the <sup>M1</sup>Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 or [<sup>F1</sup>Article 95 of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981] provides that payment of a sum shall be enforceable [<sup>F2</sup>by a magistrates' court in England and Wales, a magistrates' court acting in the area in which the person subject to the order resides,] and the [<sup>F3</sup>designated officer for] that court, shall, subject to the provisions of this section, have all the like functions under this Part of this Act in respect of the sum (including power to make an order under section 89 or section 90 above) as if the sum were a sum adjudged to be paid by a conviction of that court and as if any order made under the said Act of 1975 or, as the case may be, [<sup>F4</sup>the said Order of 1981] in respect of the sum before the making of the transfer of fine order had been made by that court.
- (2) For the purpose of determining the period of imprisonment which may be imposed under this Act in default of payment of a fine originally imposed by a court in Scotland, Schedule 4 to this Act shall have effect as if for the Table set out in paragraph 1 there were substituted the Table set out in section 407 of the <sup>M2</sup>Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975.
- (3) Where a transfer of fine order under section 403 of the <sup>M3</sup>Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 or [<sup>F5</sup>Article 95 of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981] provides for the enforcement [<sup>F6</sup>by a magistrates' court] in England and Wales of a fine originally imposed by the Crown Court, a magistrates' court [<sup>F7</sup>acting in the area in which the person subject to the order resides] shall have all the like functions under this Part of this Act, exercisable subject to the like restrictions, as if it were the magistrates' court by which payment of the fine fell to be enforced by virtue

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of [<sup>F8</sup>section 140(1) of the <sup>M4</sup>Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000], and as if any order made under the said Act of 1975 or, as the case may be, [<sup>F9</sup>the said Order of 1981] in respect of the fine before the making of the transfer of fine order had been made by that court.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1 Words substituted by S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26), art. 170(2), **Sch. 6 Pt. I para. 59(a)(i)**
- F2 Words in s. 91(1) substituted (1.4.2005) by Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), ss. 109(1), 110, **Sch. 8 para. 227(2)(a)**; S.I. 2005/910, **art. 3(y)**
- F3 Words in s. 91(1) substituted (1.4.2005) by Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), ss. 109(1), 110, **Sch. 8 para. 227(2)(b)**; S.I. 2005/910, **art. 3(y)**
- F4 Words substituted by S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26), art. 170(2), **Sch. 6 Pt. I para. 59(a)(ii)**
- F5 Words substituted by S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26), art. 170(2), **Sch. 6 para. 59(b)(i)**
- F6 Words in s. 91(3) substituted (1.4.2005) by Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), ss. 109(1), 110, **Sch. 8 para. 227(3)(a)**; S.I. 2005/910, **art. 3(y)**
- F7 Words in s. 91(3) substituted (1.4.2005) by Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), ss. 109(1), 110, **Sch. 8 para. 227(3)(b)**; S.I. 2005/910, **art. 3(y)**
- F8 Words in s. 91(3) substituted (28.5.2000) by 2000 c. 6, ss. 165, 168(1), **Sch. 9 para. 69**
- F9 Words substituted by S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26), art. 170(2), **Sch. 6 Pt. I para. 56(b)(ii)**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 S. 91 amended by Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 62, SIF 39:1), **s. 66**  
S. 91 modified (S.) (1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 43, **ss. 14(1)**, 50(2) and by 1995 c. 46, **ss. 252(1)**, 309(2) (with s. 24(2))  
S. 91 amended (S.) (*prosp.*) by 1995 c. 20, **ss. 70(2)**, 80(1) (with s. 113(1)) (which amending Act was repealed (S.) (1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 40, ss. 3(1), 6(1), 7(2), Sch. 3 para. 16(3), **Sch. 5**)
- C2 S. 91 applied (with modifications) (temp.) (23.2.2004 and 29.3.2004 for certain purposes, otherwise 5.4.2004 until 31.3.2006) by The Fines Collection Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/176), **regs. 1(3)**, **6(c)** (with **reg. 3**) (as amended (30.3.2005) by S.I. 2005/484, **regs. 1(1)(a)(2)**, 2, 4, 6(3))

#### Marginal Citations

- M1 1975 c. 21.
- M2 1975 c. 21.
- M3 1975 c. 21.
- M4 2000 c. 6.

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