

Criminal Justice Act 1982

CHAPTER 48

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT 1982

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- 40 General increase of fines under subordinate instruments.
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- 2. ...
- 3. Kidnapping.
- 4. Assault (of any description).
- 5. ...
- 6. ...

Part II — OFFENCES MENTIONED IN SECTION 32(2)(B)

MALICIOUS DAMAGE ACT 1861 (c. 97)

1. Sections 35, 47 and 48 (criminal damage).

OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON ACT 1861 (c. 100)

- 2. Section 16 (making threats to kill).
- 3. Section 18 (wounding with intent to do grievious bodily...
- 4. Section 20 (wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm).
- 5. Section 21 (garotting).
- 6. Section 23 (endangering life or causing harm by administering...
- 7. Section 28 (burning, maiming, etc by explosion).
- 8. Section 29 (causing explosions or casting corrosive fluids with...

EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES ACT 1883 (c. 3)

9. Section 2 (causing explosion likely to endanger life or...

INFANT LIFE (PRESERVATION) ACT 1929 (c. 34)

10. Section 1 (child destruction).

INFANTICIDE ACT 1938 (c. 36)

11. Section 1(1) (infanticide).

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- 12. ...
- 13. ...
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FIREARMS ACT 1968 (c. 27)

15. Section 17(1) (use of firearms and imitation firearms to...

THEFT ACT 1968 (c. 60)

- 16. Section 8 (robbery).
- 17. Section 10 (aggravated burglary).

MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT 1971 (c. 38)

- 18. Section 4 (production or supply of a controlled drug)....
- 19. Section 5(3) (possession of a controlled drug with intent...
- 20. Section 20 (assisting in, or inducing the commission outside...

CRIMINAL DAMAGE ACT 1971 (c. 48)

21. Section 1(2)(b) (criminal damage, including arson, endangering life).

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1972 (c. 20)

22. Section 1 (causing death by reckless driving).

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE MANAGEMENT ACT 1979 (c. 2)

23. Section 85(2) (shooting at naval or revenue vessels).

AVIATION SECURITY ACT 1982 (c. 36)

- 24. Section 1 (hijacking).
- 25. Sections 2, 3 and 6 (other offences relating to...

DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENCES ACT 1986 (c. 32)

- 25A. Section 23A (acquisition, possession or use of proceeds of...
- 26. Section 24 (assisting another to retain the benefit of...

PUBLIC ORDER ACT 1986

- 27. Section 1 (riot).
- 28. Section 2 (violent disorder).
- 29. Section 3 (affray).

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT 1988 (c.33)

- 29A. Section 93A (assisting another to retain the benefit of...
- 29B. Section 93B (acquisition, possession or use of proceeds of...
- 29C. Section 93C (concealing or transferring proceeds of criminal conduct)....
- 30. Section 134 (torture).

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THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1988 (c.52)

Section 1 (causing death by dangerous driving).

Section 3A (causing death by careless driving when under the...

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION) ACT 1990 (c. 31)

Section 14 (concealing or transferring proceeds of drug trafficking).

AVIATION AND MARITIME SECURITY ACT 1990 (c. 31)

Section 1 (endangering safety at aerodromes).

Section 9 (hijacking of ships).

Section 10 (seizing or exercising control of fixed platforms).

Sections 11, 12, 13 and 14 (other offences relating to...

CHANNEL TUNNEL (SECURITY) ORDER 1994 No.570

Article 4 (hijacking of Channel Tunnel trains)

Article 5 (seizing or exercising control of the tunnel system)...

Articles 6, 7 and 8 (other offences relating to Channel...

DRUG TRAFFICKING ACT 1994

Section 49 (concealing or transferring the proceeds of drug trafficking)....

Section 50 (assisting another person to retain the benefit of...

Section 51 (acquisition, possession or use of proceeds of drug...

PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT 2002

Section 327 (concealing criminal property etc.).

Section 328 (arrangements relating to criminal property).

Section 329 (acquisition, use and possession of criminal property).

SEXUAL OFFENCES ACT 2003

Sections 1 and 2 (rape, assault by penetration).

Section 4 (causing a person to engage in sexual activity...

Sections 5 and 6 (rape of a child under 13,...

Section 8 (causing or inciting a child under 13 to...

Section 30 (sexual activity with a person with a mental...

Section 31 (causing or inciting a person, with a mental...

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, CRIME AND VICTIMS ACT 2004

Section 5 (causing or allowing the death of a child...

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SCHEDULE 2 — Fines to remain at their present level

SCHEDULE 3 — Special Increases

SCHEDULE 4 — Fines imposed otherwise than on conviction

SCHEDULE 5 — Schedule to be inserted after Schedule 6 to Magistrates' Courts Act 1980

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SCHEDULE 6A Fines that may be altered under section 143...

SCHEDULE 6 —

SCHEDULE 7 —

SCHEDULE 8 — Courts-Martial etc.

- 1 (1) The following subsection shall be inserted after section 57(2)...
- 2 Section 71A of the Army Act 1955 and of the...
- 3 In section 71AA of the Army Act 1955 and the...
- 4 (1) In section 71B of the Army Act 1955 and...
- 5 In section 85 of the Army Act 1955 and the...
- 6 In section 145(1)(b) of those Acts (forfeiture of pay for...
- 7 Paragraph 10 of Schedule 5A to the Army Act 1955...
- 8 (1) In paragraph 11(2) of Schedule 5A to the Army...
- 9 The following sub-paragraph shall be substituted for sub-paragraphs (1) and...
- 10 (1) In paragraph 14(1) of those Schedules (recognisances from parents...
- 11 In paragraph 15(3) of those Schedules (scale of punishments and...
- 12 (1) In section 8(1)(b) of the Armed Forces Act 1976...

SCHEDULE 9 — Amendments of Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 relating to remands in custody

- 1 The words "or would be required to be brought before...
- 2 In paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 128 (remand...
- 3 The following subsections shall be inserted after the said subsection...
- 4 The following subsections shall be inserted after subsection (3) of...
- 5 The following subsection shall be inserted after subsection (4) of...
- 6 Section 131(3) (by virtue of which so long as an...
- 7 In paragraph 3 of Schedule 5 (transfer of remand hearings)...

SCHEDULE 10 — Amendments of Schedule 3 to Immigration Act 1971

- 1 In paragraph 2— (a) in sub-paragraph (1), after the word...
- 2 The following shall be added after paragraph 3— Powers of...

SCHEDULE 11 —

- 1 In the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973—
- 2 In section 2(3) of that Act (probation orders) for the...
- 3 The following sections shall be inserted after section 4 of...
- 4 In section 47(a) of that Act (the probation service and...
- 5 In Schedule 1 to that Act (discharge and amendment of...
- 6 In Schedule 3 to that Act (duties and powers of...

	PERSONS RESIDING IN SCOTLAND OR NORTHERN IRELAND
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Part II — RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENTS (SCOTLAND)—PERSONS RESIDING IN ENGLAND AND WALES OR NORTHERN IRELAND

- In sections 183(5A) and 384(5A) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland)...
- 4 In section 6 of the Community Service by Offenders (Scotland)...
- 5 After section 6 of that Act there shall be inserted...
- 6 In section 15 of that Act for subsection (5) there...

Part III — RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENTS (NORTHERN IRELAND)—PERSONS RESIDING IN ENGLAND AND WALES OR SCOTLAND

Making an amendment of community service orders relating to persons residing in England and Wales

7 (1) Where a court in Northern Ireland considering the making...

Making and amendment of community service orders relating to persons residing in Scotland

8 (1) Where a court in Northern Ireland considering the making...

Community service orders relating to persons residing in England and Wales or Scotland—General

9 (1) Where a community service order is made or amended...

SCHEDULE 14 — Minor and Consequential Amendments

Vagrancy Act 1824 (c. 83)

1 In the Vagrancy Act 1824 the words ", subject to...

Merchant Shipping Act 1894 (c. 60)

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Customs and Excise Act 1952 (c. 44)

3 For section 283(5) of the Customs and Excise Act 1952...

Prison Act 1952 (c. 52)

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- 5 In section 22(2)(b) of that Act (removal of prisoners for...
- 6 In section 37(4) of that Act (closing of prisons) for...
- 7 In section 47 of that Act (rules for the management...
- 8 In section 49 of that Act (persons unlawfully at large)—...

Criminal Justice Act 1961 (c. 39)

- 10 In section 23 of the Criminal Justice Act 1961 (by...
- 11 The following subsections shall be substituted for subsections (4) to...
- 12 The words "youth custody centre" shall be substituted for the...
- 13 In subsection (2) of section 32 of that Act (supervision...
- 14 The words "or of any authorised officer" shall be added...
- 15 In section 38 of that Act (construction of references to...
- 16 In section 39 of that Act (interpretation)—
- 17 In section 42(1) of that Act (application to Scotland), and...

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		Criminal Justice Act 1967 (c. 80)
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	22	The following subsections shall be inserted after subsection (2) of
		Criminal Appeal Act 1968 (c. 19)
	23	In section 10 of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 (appeal
		Firearms Act 1968 (c. 27)
	24	In section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (possession of
		Children and Young Persons Act 1969 (c. 54)
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	26	In section 16(10) of that Act (which includes a definition
	27	In section 23(4) of that Act (remand to care of
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		Fire Precautions Act 1971 (c. 40)
	29	In section 40(2)(a) of the Fire Precautions Act 1971 (which
		Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973 (c. 62)
	30	In subsection (3)(c) of section 6 of the Powers of
	31	In section 13 of that Act (under which a conviction
	32	
	33 34	The following subsection shall be inserted as subsection (2) of
		Juries Act 1974 (c. 23)
	35	In Schedule 1 to the Juries Act 1974 (persons ineligible
		Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (c. 53)
	36	In section 5(1) of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974
	37	In section 5(2) (rehabilitation periods for particular sentences)—
		Criminal Law Act 1977 (c. 45)
	38	In section 36 of the Criminal Law Act 1977 (enforcement
	39	In subsection (5) of section 38A of that Act (execution
	40 41	The following shall be inserted after paragraph 3 of Schedule In paragraph 7 of that Schedule, for the word "Where"
	41	in paragraph / or that schedule, for the word where
		Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 (c. 2)
	42 43	Section 147(5) of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 In section 156 of that Act (saving for outlying enactments
		Child Care Act 1980 (c. 5)
	44	In section 10(2) of the Child Care Act 1980 (parental
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	Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 (c. 43)
47	In section 24(3) of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 (powers
48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58	The following subsections shall be substituted for subsection (1) of In section 77(2) of that Act (power to fix a
	In section 82 of that Act (restriction on power to In section 88 of that Act (supervision pending payment)— The following section shall be inserted after section 96 of The words "or the Crown Court" shall be added at In section 133(1) of that Act (consecutive terms of imprisonment) At the end of section 134 of that Act (detention The following subsection shall be added as subsection (3) of In Schedule 4 to that Act (imprisonment for default) the
	Contempt of Court Act 1981 (c. 49)
60	The following subsection shall be inserted after subsection (2) of
SCI	HEDULE 15 — Minor and Consequential Amendments Scotland
	Trespass (Scotland) Act 1865 (c. 56)
1	In section 4 of the Trespass (Scotland) Act 1865 (apprehension
	Electric Lighting Act 1882 (c. 56)
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	Merchant Shipping Act 1894 (c. 60)
3 4 5	
	Public Health (Scotland) Act 1897 (c. 38)
6 7	In section 18 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act 1897 In section 24 of that Act (penalty for contravention of
	Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956 (c. 30)
8	In section 56 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act
	South of Scotland Electricity Order Confirmation Act 1956 (c. xciv)
9 10	For section 51 of the South of Scotland Electricity Order In section 55 of that Order (penalty for interference with
	North of Scotland Electricity Order Confirmation Act 1958 (c. ii)
11 12	For section 36 of the North of Scotland Electricity Order In section 40 of that Order (penalty for interference with
	Roads (Scotland) Act 1970 (c. 20)
13	In section 48 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1970 (prosecution

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	Immigration Act 1971 (c. 77)
15 16	In section 6 of the Immigration Act 1971 (recommendations by
	Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 (c. 21)
17 18 19	In section 193A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 In section 421(1) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 In section 462(1) of that Act (interpretation), in the definition
	National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29)
20 21 22	In paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 9 to the National Health In paragraph 7 of Schedule 10 to that Act (penalties
	Water (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 45)
23 24 25 26 27 28 29	In section 38(6) of the Water (Scotland) Act 1980 (penalties In section 77 of that Act (obtaining supplies to meet In section 94(a) of that Act (penalties for false information) In section 95(a) of that Act (penalties for offences not In paragraph 10(3) of Schedule 4 to that Act (offences In paragraph 37 of Schedule 4 to that Act (pollution In paragraph 43 of Schedule 4 to that Act
	Criminal Justice (Scotland)Act 1980 (c. 62)
30	In section 55 of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1980
SCF	HEDULE 16 — Repeals
SCF	HEDULE 17 — Transitional Provisions
	Young offenders
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	 Where an offender has before the commencement of sections Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, an order for detention Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, where at the commencement An offender who was sentenced to Borstal training on a A custodial order to which this sub-paragraph applies shall Subject to sub-paragraph (3) below, where at the commencement This paragraph applies to any offender who at the Where at the commencement of sections 1 to 15 above Rules under section 47 of the Prison Act 1952 may Where under section 23(1)(a) or (b) of the Powers A person who immediately before the commencement of sections 1 A person who immediately before the commencement of sections 1 Where— (a) a person has been released from prison, Until the commencement of sections 1 to 15 above, if

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	Probation
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	Fines
18	Any provision of Schedule 15 to this Act which alters

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