

# Public Order Act 1986

## **1986 CHAPTER 64**

## PART I

### NEW OFFENCES

### 9 Offences abolished.

(1) The common law offences of riot, rout, unlawful assembly and affray are abolished.

(2) The offences under the following enactments are abolished—

- (a) section 1 of the <sup>MI</sup>Tumultuous Petitioning Act 1661 (presentation of petition to monarch or Parliament accompanied by excessive number of persons),
- (b) section 1 of the <sup>M2</sup>Shipping Offences Act 1793 (interference with operation of vessel by persons riotously assembled),
- (c) section 23 of the <sup>M3</sup>Seditious Meetings Act 1817 (prohibition of certain meetings within one mile of Westminster Hall when Parliament sitting), and
- (d) section 5 of the <sup>M4</sup>Public Order Act 1936 (conduct conducive to breach of the peace).

Marg	nal Citations	
M1	1661 c. 5.	
M2	1793 c. 67.	
M3	1817 c. 19.	
M4	1936 c. 6.	

## Status:

Point in time view as at 01/01/2006.

#### **Changes to legislation:**

Public Order Act 1986, Section 9 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 05 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.