



Jobseekers Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 18

PART III

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTAL

34 Offences.

- (1) A person is guilty of an offence if, for the purpose of obtaining a jobseeker's allowance (whether for himself or for some other person) or for any other purpose connected with this Act, he—
 - (a) makes a statement or representation which he knows to be false; or
 - (b) produces or furnishes, or knowingly causes or knowingly allows to be produced or furnished, any document or information which he knows to be false in a material particular.
- (2) A person is guilty of an offence if he—
 - (a) intentionally delays or obstructs an inspector in the exercise of any power under section 33; or
 - (b) refuses or neglects to answer any question or to furnish any information or to produce any document when required to do so under that section.
- (3) Regulations under section 27 may provide for contravention of, or failure to comply with, any of their provisions to be an offence.
- (4) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months, or to both.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (2), or under any regulations made under section 27, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (6) A person who is convicted of an offence under subsection (2)(b)—
 - (a) is guilty of a further offence if the refusal or neglect is continued by him after his conviction; and

Status: Point in time view as at 12/12/1995. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation: Jobseekers Act 1995, Section 34 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 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. (See end of Document for details)

- (b) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £40 for each day on which it is continued.
- (7) A person who is convicted of an offence of contravening or failing to comply with any regulations under section 27 (“the original offence”)—
- (a) is guilty of a further offence if the contravention or failure is continued by him after his conviction, and
- (b) shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £40 for each day on which the contravention or failure is continued,
- if regulations provide for this subsection to apply in relation to the original offence.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 34(7) applied (6.4.1996) by S.I. 1996/195, **reg. 12(2)**

Commencement Information

II S. 34 wholly in force; s. 34 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 41(2); s. 34(3)(7) in force (12.12.1995) for the purpose of authorising the making of regulations by S.I. 1995/3228, **art. 2(c)(i)**; s. 34(3)(7) in force (6.4.1996) for all other purposes by S.I. 1995/3228, **art. 2(c)(ii)**; s. 34 in force (6.4.1996) in so far as not already in force by S.I. 1995/3228, **art. 2(g)**

Status:

Point in time view as at 12/12/1995. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

Jobseekers Act 1995, Section 34 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 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.