

## Offensive Weapons Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 26

- 3 Increased penalty for offence of having article with blade or point in public place
  - (1) In section 139 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988, in subsection (6), for the words following "shall be liable" there is substituted—
    - "(a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or both;
    - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or a fine, or both."
  - (2) Subsection (1) above does not apply to an offence committed before this Act comes into force.