



# Terrorism Act 2006

## 2006 CHAPTER 11

### PART 1 U.K.

#### OFFENCES

*Offences involving radioactive devices and materials and nuclear facilities and sites*

#### 10 Misuse of devices or material and misuse and damage of facilities U.K.

- (1) A person commits an offence if he uses—
  - (a) a radioactive device, or
  - (b) radioactive material,in the course of or in connection with the commission of an act of terrorism or for the purposes of terrorism.
- (2) A person commits an offence if, in the course of or in connection with the commission of an act of terrorism or for the purposes of terrorism, he uses or damages a nuclear facility in a manner which—
  - (a) causes a release of radioactive material; or
  - (b) creates or increases a risk that such material will be released.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable, on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for life.
- (4) In this section—

“nuclear facility” means—

  - (a) a nuclear reactor, including a reactor installed in or on any transportation device for use as an energy source in order to propel it or for any other purpose; or
  - (b) a plant or conveyance being used for the production, storage, processing or transport of radioactive material;

“radioactive device” and “radioactive material” have the same meanings as in section 9.

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(5) In subsection (4)—

“nuclear reactor” has the same meaning as in the Nuclear Installations Act 1965 (c. 57) (see section 26 of that Act);

“transportation device” means any vehicle or any space object (within the meaning of the Outer Space Act 1986 (c. 38)).

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**Commencement Information**

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