

Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 38

PART 2

WEAPONS ETC.

Minimum sentences for firearms offences

30 Minimum sentences for certain firearms offences

- (1) The 1968 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 51A (which imposes minimum sentence requirements for certain offences involving the possession of various firearms), in subsection (1)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a)(ii), for "and" substitute "or";
 - (b) after paragraph (a)(ii) insert—
 - "(iii) an offence under any of the provisions of this Act listed in subsection (1A) in respect of a firearm or ammunition specified in section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c) or section 5(1A)(a) of this Act, and".
- (3) After that subsection insert—
 - "(1A) The provisions are—
 - (a) section 16 (possession of firearm with intent to injure);
 - (b) section 16A (possession of firearm with intent to cause fear of violence);
 - (c) section 17 (use of firearm to resist arrest);
 - (d) section 18 (carrying firearm with criminal intent);
 - (e) section 19 (carrying a firearm in a public place);
 - (f) section 20(1) (trespassing in a building with firearm)."

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) In Schedule 6 (prosecution and punishment of offences) in column 3, in paragraph (a) of the entries relating to sections 19 and 20(1), after "Summary", in each place, insert "except if the firearm is a firearm specified in section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae) or (af) or section 5(1A)(a) of this Act."
- (5) This section applies only to offences committed after the commencement of this section.