



2000 CHAPTER 4

PART I CHILD SUPPORT

Information

Information - offences

13. After Article 16 of the Child Support Order there shall be inserted—

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16A.—(1) This Article applies to—

- (a) persons who are required to comply with regulations under Article 7(4); and
- (b) persons specified in regulations under Article 16(1)(a).

(2) Such a person is guilty of an offence if, pursuant to a request for information under or by virtue of those regulations—

- (a) he makes a statement or representation which he knows to be false; or
- (b) he provides, or knowingly causes or knowingly allows to be provided, a document or other information which he knows to be false in a material particular.

(3) Such a person is guilty of an offence if, following such a request, he fails to comply with it.

(4) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under paragraph (3) to prove that he had a reasonable excuse for failing to comply.

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(5) A person guilty of an offence under this Article is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.”.

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 7 para. 1(2)(c) added by [2007 c. 2 \(N.I.\) Sch. 5 para. 6](#)
- Sch. 7 para. 6(5A)-(5C) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 11 para. 10\(3\)](#)