STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 281

The Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (Commencement No. 9 and Transitional Provisions) Order 2005

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (Commencement No. 9 and Transitional Provisions) Order 2005.
 - (2) In this Order "the Act" means the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002.
- **2.**—(1) The provisions of the Act specified in Schedule 1 to this Order shall come into force on 13th June 2005.
- (2) Until section 41(2) of the Act is brought into force, references to the Director and to his deputy in Article 7 of the Prosecution of Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(1) are to be read respectively as references to the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland and to the Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland established by section 29(2) of the Act.
- **3.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the provisions of the Act specified in Schedule 2 to this Order shall come into force on 15th June 2005.
- (2) Section 5(2) to (9) of the Act shall come into force in relation to the appointment of lay magistrates on 10th December 2005.
- (3) Section 5(2) to (9) of the Act shall not apply to an appointment to any listed judicial office other than lay magistrates or a recommendation for such appointment, where the position was advertised before 15th June 2005.
 - **4.** Section 39 (reports by Director) of the Act shall come into force on 1st September 2005.
 - 5. Section 38 (equality and non-discrimination) of the Act shall come into force on 1st June 2006.

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