



Criminal Justice Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 71

PART III

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

28 Punishment for firearms offences.

- (1) The fourth column in Part I of Schedule 6 to the ^{M1} Firearms Act 1968 (which prescribes the maximum punishment by way of fines or imprisonment for offences under that Act) shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In the entries prescribing the punishment for offences under section 16 (possession of firearm with intent to endanger life) and section 17(1) (use of firearms to resist arrest) for the words “14 years” there shall be substituted the words “life imprisonment”.
- (3) ^{F1}
- (4) In the entry prescribing the punishment for an offence under section 3(5) (falsifying certificate etc. with view to acquisition of firearm), where the offender has been convicted on indictment, for the words “a fine of £200” there shall be substituted the words “a fine”.
- (5) In the entries prescribing the punishment for offences under the Act where the offender has been convicted summarily—
 - (a) for “£20” there shall be substituted “£50” ;
 - (b) for “£50” there shall be substituted “£100” ;
 - (c) for “£100” there shall be substituted “£200” ; and
 - (d) for “£200” there shall be substituted “£400”.
- (6) In relation to offences under sections 16, 17(1), 17(2) and 18(1) of the said Act of 1968 a court in Scotland shall have the like power as a court in England or Wales to impose both a sentence of imprisonment and a fine.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Justice Act 1972, Section 28. (See end of Document for details)*

Textual Amendments

F1 [S. 28\(3\)](#) repealed by [Criminal Justice Act 1988 \(c. 33, SIF 39:1\)](#), s. 170, Sch. 8 para. 16, **Sch. 16**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 The text of s. 28(1)(2)(4)(5) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

C2 The “said Act of 1968” means [Firearms Act 1968 \(c. 27\)](#)

Marginal Citations

M1 [1968 c. 27](#).

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