

Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994

1994 CHAPTER 33

PART III

COURSE OF JUSTICE: EVIDENCE, PROCEDURE, ETC.

Corroboration

32 Abolition of corroboration rules

- (1) Any requirement whereby at a trial on indictment it is obligatory for the court to give the jury a warning about convicting the accused on the uncorroborated evidence of a person merely because that person is—
 - (a) an alleged accomplice of the accused, or
 - (b) where the offence charged is a sexual offence, the person in respect of whom it is alleged to have been committed,

is hereby abrogated.

- (2) In section 34(2) of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (abolition of requirement of corroboration warning in respect of evidence of a child) the words from "in relation to" to the end shall be omitted.
- (3) Any requirement that—
 - (a) is applicable at the summary trial of a person for an offence, and
 - (b) corresponds to the requirement mentioned in subsection (1) above or that mentioned in section 34(2) of the Criminal Justice Act 1988,

is hereby abrogated.

- (4) Nothing in this section applies in relation to—
 - (a) any trial, or
 - (b) any proceedings before a magistrates' court as examining justices,

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which began before the commencement of this section.