



# Terrorism Act 2006

## 2006 CHAPTER 11

### PART 1

#### OFFENCES

##### *Increases of penalties*

#### **13 Maximum penalty for possessing for terrorist purposes**

- (1) In section 57(4)(a) of the Terrorism Act 2000 (c. 11) (10 years maximum imprisonment for possession for terrorist purposes), for “10 years” substitute “ 15 years ”.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to offences committed before the commencement of this section.

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##### **Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 13](#) in force at 13.4.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1013](#), [art. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)

#### **14 Maximum penalty for certain offences relating to nuclear material**

- (1) In section 2 of the Nuclear Material (Offences) Act 1983 (c. 18) (offences involving preparatory acts and threats), for subsection (5) substitute—

“(5) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable, on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for life.”
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to offences committed before the commencement of this section.

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##### **Commencement Information**

**I2** [S. 14](#) in force at 13.4.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1013](#), [art. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)

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*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Terrorism Act 2006, Cross Heading: Increases of penalties. (See end of Document for details)*

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## 15 Maximum penalty for contravening notice relating to encrypted information

- (1) In section 53 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (c. 23) (offence of contravening disclosure requirement)—
- (a) in paragraph (a) of subsection (5), for “two years” substitute “ the appropriate maximum term ”; and
  - (b) after that subsection insert the subsections set out in subsection (2).
- (2) The inserted subsections are—
- “(5A) In subsection (5) ‘the appropriate maximum term’ means—
- (a) in a national security case, five years; and
  - (b) in any other case, two years.
- (5B) In subsection (5A) ‘a national security case’ means a case in which the grounds specified in the notice to which the offence relates as the grounds for imposing a disclosure requirement were or included a belief that the imposition of the requirement was necessary in the interests of national security.”
- (3) This section does not apply to offences committed before the commencement of this section.

### Commencement Information

**I3** [S. 15](#) in force at 13.4.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1013](#), [art. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

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