



Prevention of Crime Act 1953

CHAPTER 14

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- 1 Prohibition of the carrying of offensive weapons without lawful authority or reasonable excuse.
- 1ZA Offence under section 1: previous relevant convictions
- 1A Offence of threatening with offensive weapon in public
- 2 Short title, commencement and extent.

Changes to legislation:

Prevention of Crime Act 1953 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 May 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 1ZA(1)(a)(i) word omitted by [2019 c. 17 s. 13\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 1ZA(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/780 reg. 21\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 21, 25, 26, 27, 30 revoked (1.12.2020) by 2020 c. 17, Sch. 28; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2)
- s. 1ZA(1)(c) word inserted by [S.I. 2019/780 reg. 21\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 21, 25, 26, 27, 30 revoked (1.12.2020) by 2020 c. 17, Sch. 28; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2)
- s. 1ZA(1)(e) and word omitted by [S.I. 2019/780 reg. 21\(2\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 21, 25, 26, 27, 30 revoked (1.12.2020) by 2020 c. 17, Sch. 28; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2)
- s. 1ZA(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/780 reg. 21\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 21, 25, 26, 27, 30 revoked (1.12.2020) by 2020 c. 17, Sch. 28; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2)
- s. 1ZA(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/780 reg. 21\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 21, 25, 26, 27, 30 revoked (1.12.2020) by 2020 c. 17, Sch. 28; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2)
- s. 1ZA(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/780 reg. 21\(3\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 21, 25, 26, 27, 30 revoked (1.12.2020) by 2020 c. 17, Sch. 28; S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

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

- s. 1ZA(1)(a)(iii) and word inserted by [2019 c. 17 s. 13\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 37(1A)(c) word omitted by [2019 c. 17 s. 13\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 37(1A)(e) and word inserted by [2019 c. 17 s. 13\(2\)\(b\)](#)