



Penalties for Drunkenness Act 1962

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An Act to increase the penalties for certain offences involving drunkenness or punishable under enactments relating to such offences. [1st August 1962]

1 Increase of penalties for drunkenness, etc.

(1) The maximum penalty to which a person is liable on any conviction for an offence under the provisions mentioned in this section shall, in the case of offences committed after the commencement of this Act, be increased as follows, that is to say—

- (a) to a fine not exceeding five pounds where the conviction is under any of the provisions specified in paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of this section (which relate to offences of being drunk in public places or licensed premises or refusing to leave or attempting to enter a refreshment house or ship when drunk or disorderly); and
- (b) to a fine not exceeding [^{F1}level 1 on the standard scale] or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month where the conviction is under any of the provisions specified in paragraph (b) of that subsection (which relate to offences of drunkenness in aggravating circumstances or violent or indecent behaviour at police stations).

(2) The said provisions are—

- (a) ^{F2}
..... ^{F3}
..... ^{F4}
- (b) any other provision of the said section twelve . . . ^{F3},
section fifty-eight of the ^{M1}Metropolitan Police Act 1839;
section thirty-seven of the ^{M2}City of London Police Act 1839;
section twenty-nine of the ^{M3}Town Police Clauses Act 1847, as incorporated
in any other enactment;
..... ^{F5}

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Penalties for Drunkenness Act 1962. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted by virtue of [Criminal Justice Act 1982 \(c. 48, SIF 39:1\)](#), **ss. 38, 46**
- F2** Words repealed by [Late Night Refreshment Houses Act 1969 \(c. 53\)](#), **Sch.** and [Criminal Law Act 1977 \(c. 45\)](#), **Sch. 13**
- F3** Words repealed by [Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 1980 \(c. 62, SIF 39:1\)](#), s. 83(3), **Sch. 8**
- F4** Words repealed by [Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 1976 \(c. 66\)](#), **Sch. 8**
- F5** Words repealed by [Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 1976 \(c. 66\)](#), **Sch. 8** and [Criminal Law Act 1977 \(c. 45\)](#), **Sch. 13**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** “Any other provision of the said section twelve” means any provision of [Licensing Act 1872 \(c. 94\)](#), **s. 12** other than the first paragraph

Marginal Citations

- M1** [1839 c. 47](#).
- M2** [1839 c. xciv](#).
- M3** [1847 c. 89](#).

2 Short title, commencement and extent.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Penalties for Drunkenness Act 1962.
- (2) This Act shall come into operation on the expiration of the period of one month beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act does not extend to Northern Ireland.

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There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Penalties for Drunkenness Act 1962.