
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1988 No. 1845

The Criminal Justice (Firearms)(Northern Ireland) Order 1988

Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Criminal Justice (Firearms) (Northern Ireland) Order 1988.
- (2) This Order shall come into operation on the expiration of two months from the day on which it is made.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954⁽¹⁾ shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Life imprisonment for certain firearms offences

- 3.—(1) In column 4 of Schedule 2 to the Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 1981⁽²⁾ (maximum punishment for offences), in the entries relating to—
- (a) Article 18(2) (possession of firearm or imitation firearm while committing offence specified in Schedule 1), and
 - (b) Article 19(1) (carrying firearm or imitation firearm with criminal intent),
- for “14 years” there shall be substituted “Life imprisonment”.
- (2) Nothing in paragraph (1) shall affect the punishment for an offence committed before the commencement of this Order.

G. I. de Deney
Clerk of the Privy Council

(1) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(2) 1981 NI 2