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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2017 No. 6 (C. 2)**

**JUSTICE**

**The Justice (2011 Act) (Commencement  
No. 10) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Made - - - - 11th January 2017*

The Department of Justice, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 111(3) of the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011<sup>(1)</sup>, makes the following Order:

**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Justice (2011 Act) (Commencement No. 10) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017.

**Appointed day**

2. 3rd April 2017 is the day appointed for the coming into operation of Section 12 of the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, in so far as it relates to proceedings in the magistrates' court, to the extent that it has not already been commenced.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Justice on 11th January 2017.



*Claire Sugden*  
Minister of Justice

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(1) 2011 c.24 (N.I.). Section 12 of the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 is amended by section 11 of the Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2013.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings section 12 of the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.24) into operation on 3rd April 2017, in so far as it relates to magistrates' court proceedings. Section 12 relates to the examination of the accused through an intermediary. This provision has already been commenced in so far as it relates to all Crown Court proceedings and committal proceedings in the magistrates' court, in relation to an offence which is triable on indictment; is triable either summarily or on indictment; or is triable summarily and the accused can claim trial by jury. This Order will ensure that the provisions apply to all offences, wherever committed, including those that are only triable summarily.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Sections 14 to 19, 54, 56, 96, 97, 98, 99, 109 (partially), 110 (partially), Schedule 6 (partially), Schedule 7 (partially) and Schedule 8 (partially)	5th July 2011	S.R. 2011 No. 224 (C.14)
Section 35 (partially) and Schedule 3 (partially), sections 36 to 40 and 50 (partially)	1st August 2011	S.R. 2011 No. 224 (C.14)
Section 103	1st December 2011	S.R. 2011 No. 370 (C.26)
Sections 7 to 11, 13, 35 (so far as not already in operation) and Schedule 3 (so far as not already in operation), 41 to 49, 50 (so far as not already in operation), 100, 110 (partially), Schedule 7 (partially) and Schedule 8 (partially)	1st January 2012	S.R. 2011 No. 370 (C.26)
Sections 20 to 34 and Schedules 1 and 2, sections 81 and 110 (partially), Schedule 7 (partially)	1st April 2012	S.R. 2012 No. 142 (C.18)
Section 1 (partially), sections 2 to 4, section 5 (partially), section 6 (partially), sections 59 to 70 and Schedule 4	6th June 2012	S.R. 2012 No. 214 (C.18)
Section 83 (partially) and section 91	11th June 2012	S.R. 2012 No. 214 (C.18)
Section 90 (partially)	1st September 2012	S.R. 2012 No. 214 (C.18)
Section 82 and section 86	7th January 2013	S.R. 2012 No. 449 (C.47)

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<b><i>Provision</i></b>	<b><i>Date of Commencement</i></b>	<b><i>S.I. No.</i></b>
Section 12 (partially)	10th May 2013	S.R. 2013 No. 125 (C.7)
Section 12 (partially)	11th November 2013	S.R. 2013 No. 252 (C.17)
Section 12 (partially)	1st April 2015	S.R. 2015 No. 158 (C.10)
Sections 5(1)(a), 5(5) and 5(6) as well as sections 5(4) and 6(2) (as they relate to a penalty referred to in section 5(1)(a))	7th December 2016	S.R. 2016 No. 424 (C.34)