



# Criminal Damage Act 1971

## 1971 CHAPTER 48

### **3 Possessing anything with intent to destroy or damage property.**

A person who has anything in his custody or under his control intending without lawful excuse to use it or cause or permit another to use it—

- (a) to destroy or damage any property belonging to some other person; or
- (b) to destroy or damage his own or the user's property in a way which he knows is likely to endanger the life of some other person;

shall be guilty of an offence.

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C1** Ss. 2, 3 amended as to mode of trial by [Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 \(c. 43, SIF 82\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 29](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Damage Act 1971, Section 3.