



Crime (International Co-operation) Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 32

PART 1

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS

CHAPTER 4

INFORMATION ABOUT BANKING TRANSACTIONS

Disclosure of information

42 Offence of disclosure

- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) a financial institution is specified in a customer information order or account monitoring order made in any part of the United Kingdom, or
 - (b) the Secretary of State or the Lord Advocate receives a request under section 13 for evidence to be obtained from a financial institution in connection with the investigation of an offence ^{F1}....
- (2) If the institution, or an employee of the institution, discloses any of the following information, the institution or (as the case may be) the employee is guilty of an offence.
- (3) That information is—
 - (a) that the request to obtain customer information or account information, or the request mentioned in subsection (1)(b), has been received,
 - (b) that the investigation to which the request relates is being carried out, or
 - (c) that, in pursuance of the request, information has been given to the authority which made the request.

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- (4) An institution guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum,
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.
- (5) Any other person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or to both,
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or to a fine, or to both.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 42(1)(b) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [European Union \(Future Relationship\) Act 2020](#) (c. 29), s. 40(7), [Sch. 3 para. 6](#); S.I. 2020/1662, reg. 2(dd)
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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 42 in force at 1.11.2006 by [S.I. 2006/2811](#), [art. 2](#)

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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. 4A4B inserted by [2003 c. 44 Sch. 36 para. 16](#)