



Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

2005 CHAPTER 15

PART 5

MISCELLANEOUS

Protection of activities of certain organisations

147 Penalty for offences under sections 145 and 146

- (1) A person guilty of an offence under section 145 or 146 is liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding [^{F1}the general limit in a magistrates' court] 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.
- (2) No proceedings for an offence under either of those sections may be instituted except by or with the consent of the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 147(1)(a) substituted (7.2.2023 at 12.00 p.m.) by [The Judicial Review and Courts Act 2022 \(Magistrates' Court Sentencing Powers\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/149\)](#), regs. 1(2), 2(1), **Sch. Pt. 1**

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 147 in force at 1.7.2005 by [S.I. 2005/1521](#), **art. 3(1)(t)**

Changes to legislation:

Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005, Section 147 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 January 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2006/2182 art. 3](#) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2006/1871