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EXPLANATORY NOTES

ADVERTISING

Section 21: Offence

56. This section creates a criminal offence for contravening the regulations made under section 19, punishable by a fine. In the Magistrates' Courts the maximum fine will be $\pounds 20,000$, which is higher than the maximum fine which Magistrates can normally impose. The section provides for higher fines because the offence is considered to be highly lucrative during Games time and is more likely to be committed by corporate bodies. This section also allows for the possibility that the offender may be required to pay the expenses of the ODA or Police Authority who have undertaken enforcement action as described in section 22.