

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

NCA: GENERAL

Assaults or obstruction in connection with joint investigation teams

- 3 (1) A person commits an offence if the person assaults a member of an NCA-led international joint investigation team who is carrying out functions as a member of the team.
- (2) A person guilty of that offence is liable on summary conviction to either or both of the following—
- (a) imprisonment for a term not exceeding—
 - (i) 51 weeks on conviction in England and Wales;
 - (ii) 12 months on conviction in Scotland;
 - (iii) 6 months on conviction in Northern Ireland;
 - (b) a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (3) A person commits an offence if the person resists or wilfully obstructs a member of an NCA-led international joint investigation team who is carrying out functions as a member of that team.
- (4) A person guilty of that offence is liable on summary conviction to either or both of the following—
- (a) imprisonment for a term not exceeding—
 - (i) 51 weeks on conviction in England and Wales;
 - (ii) 12 months on conviction in Scotland;
 - (iii) 1 month on conviction in Northern Ireland;
 - (b) a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (5) In relation to an offence committed before the commencement of section 281(5) of the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (alteration of penalties for summary offences)—
- (a) the reference in sub-paragraph (2)(a) to the period of 51 weeks is to be read as a reference to the period of 6 months; and
 - (b) the reference in sub-paragraph (4)(a) to the period of 51 weeks is to be read as a reference to the period of 1 month.