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PRISONS

The Prison (Amendment) Rules 1981

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In pursuance of sections 25 and 47 of the Prison Act 1952(a), I hereby make the following Rules:—

1. These Rules may be cited as the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1981 and shall come into operation on 23rd February 1981.
2. Rule 5(1) of the Prison Rules 1964(b) shall be amended as follows:—
 - (a) for the words “one month”, there shall be substituted the words “five days”;
 - (b) for the words “thirty-one days” there shall be substituted the words “five days”.
3. In Rule 63(3) of the said Rules for the words “one month” there shall be substituted the words “five days”.

W. S. I. Whitelaw,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Home Office.
23rd January 1981.

(a) 1952 c. 52.

(b) S.I. 1964/388; rule 5(1) was amended by the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1968 (S.I. 1968/440) and the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1972 (S.I. 1972/1860).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Rules.)

Rule 2 of these Rules amends Rule 5 (remission of sentence) of the Prison Rules 1964 so as to provide that—

- (i) a term of imprisonment of more than five days may be subject to remission;
- (ii) such term may be reduced by remission to not less than five days instead of one month and thirty-one days respectively as hitherto.

Rule 3 amends Rule 63 (prisoners committed for contempt) so that a person detained for more than five days (instead of more than one month as hitherto) on committal or attachment for contempt shall be entitled to remission under Rule 5.

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