

Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2011

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- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) on or after the date on which this section comes into force, an interdict is granted against a person,
 - (b) a determination has been made under section 3(1) that the interdict is a domestic abuse interdict.
 - (c) that determination is in effect.
 - (d) a power of arrest is attached to the interdict under section 1(1A) or (2) of the Protection from Abuse (Scotland) Act 2001 (asp 14), and
 - (e) that power of arrest is in effect.
- (2) A person who breaches an interdict to which this section applies is guilty of an offence.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (2) is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 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 5 years or to a fine or to both.
- (4) Following conviction, a breach of an interdict to which this section applies is not punishable other than in accordance with subsection (3).
- (5) Where a person is convicted of an offence under this section in respect of any conduct, that conduct is not punishable as a contempt of court.
- (6) A person cannot be convicted of an offence under this section in respect of any conduct which has been punished as a contempt of court.
- (7) In this section and section 3, "interdict" includes interim interdict.