



Public Order Act 1936

1936 CHAPTER 6 1 Edw 8 and 1 Geo 6

1 Prohibition of uniforms in connection with political objects.

- (1) Subject as hereinafter provided, any person who in any public place or at any public meeting wears uniform signifying his association with any political organisation or with the promotion of any political object shall be guilty of an offence:
Provided that, if the chief officer of police is satisfied that the wearing of any such uniform as aforesaid on any ceremonial, anniversary, or other special occasion will not be likely to involve risk of public disorder, he may, with the consent of a Secretary of State, by order permit the wearing of such uniform on that occasion either absolutely or subject to such conditions as may be specified in the order.
- (2) Where any person is charged before any court with an offence under this section, no further proceedings in respect thereof shall be taken against him without the consent of the Attorney-General [^{F1}except such as are authorised by [^{F2}section 6 of the Prosecution of Offences 1979]], so, however, that if that person is remanded in custody he shall, after the expiration of a period of eight days from the date on which he was so remanded, be entitled to be [^{F3}released on bail] without sureties unless within that period the Attorney-General has consented to such further proceedings as aforesaid.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted by [Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975 \(c. 59\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 1](#)
- F2** Words substituted by [Prosecution of Offences Act 1979 \(c. 31\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)
- F3** Words substituted by [Bail Act 1976 \(c. 63\)](#), [Sch. 2 para. 10](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Public Order Act 1936, Section 1.