



# Libel Act 1845

## 1845 CHAPTER 75 8 and 9 Vict

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Session of Parliament held in the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled “An Act to amend the Law respecting defamatory Words and Libel.” [31st July 1845]

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Short title given by [Short Titles Act 1896 \(c. 14\)](#)
- C2 Preamble (which recites provisions of [Libel Act 1843 \(c. 96\)](#) relating to pleas in actions for libel contained in any public newspaper or other periodical publication) omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1891 \(c. 67\)](#)
- C3 This Act is not necessarily in the form in which it has effect in Northern Ireland

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### Textual Amendments

- F1 [S. 1](#) repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1892 \(c.19\)](#)

## 2 Defendant not to file such plea without paying money into court by way of amends.

It shall not be competent to any defendant in such action, whether in England or in Ireland, to file any such plea, without at the same time making a payment of money into court by way of amends . . . F2, but every such plea so filed without payment of money into court shall be deemed a nullity, and may be treated as such by the plaintiff in the action.

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- C4** Reference to Ireland to be construed as exclusive of Republic of Ireland: S.R.& O 1923/405 (Rev. X, p. 298:1923,p. 400), art. 2

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