

2000 CHAPTER 4

# PART I

# CHILD SUPPORT

## Information

### **Information – offences**

13. After Article 16 of the Child Support Order there shall be inserted—

### "Information – offences

16A.—(1) This Article applies to—

- (a) persons who are required to comply with regulations under Article 7(4); and
- (b) persons specified in regulations under Article 16(1)(a).

(2) Such a person is guilty of an offence if, pursuant to a request for information under or by virtue of those regulations—

- (a) he makes a statement or representation which he knows to be false; or
- (b) he provides, or knowingly causes or knowingly allows to be provided, a document or other information which he knows to be false in a material particular.

(3) Such a person is guilty of an offence if, following such a request, he fails to comply with it.

(4) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under paragraph (3) to prove that he had a reasonable excuse for failing to comply.

(5) A person guilty of an offence under this Article is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.".