

### 2011 CHAPTER 6

# PART 1

**GAS** 

#### Miscellaneous

## Damage to gas plant

- **10.**—(1) A person who intentionally or recklessly—
  - (a) damages or allows to be damaged any gas plant provided by a gas conveyor;
  - (b) alters the index to any meter used for measuring the quantity of gas conveyed or supplied by a gas conveyer or gas supplier; or
  - (c) prevents any such meter from duly registering the quantity of gas conveyed or supplied,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

- (2) Where an offence has been committed under subsection (1)(a) by the occupier of any premises (or by the owner of the premises if they are unoccupied when the offence is committed) in relation to any gas plant provided by a gas conveyor for making or maintaining a connection to the premises, the gas conveyor may disconnect the premises.
- (3) Where an offence has been committed under subsection (1), in relation to a gas meter provided by a gas conveyor which is situated on any premises, by the occupier (or by the owner of the premises if they are unoccupied when

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the offence is committed), the gas conveyor may disconnect the premises and may remove the meter.

(4) A meter removed under subsection (3) shall be kept safely by the gas conveyor until the Authority authorises its destruction, disposal or repair.

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