



2016 CHAPTER 21

PART 3

Miscellaneous

Assaulting ambulance workers etc

Offence of assaulting ambulance workers etc

54.—(1) A person commits an offence if he or she assaults—

- (a) an ambulance worker in the execution of that ambulance worker’s duty;
- (b) a person who is assisting an ambulance worker in the execution of that ambulance worker’s duty.

(2) “Ambulance worker” means a person who provides ambulance services (including air ambulance services) under arrangements made by or at the request of—

- (a) the Northern Ireland Ambulance Service Health and Social Care Trust,
- (b) St. John Ambulance (NI),
- (c) the British Red Cross Society, or
- (d) the charity registered in the Republic of Ireland known as the Order of Malta Ireland.

(3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) shall be liable—

- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or to both; or
- (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to a fine, or to both.