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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.