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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1978 No. 1908 (N.I. 27)**

Rehabilitation of Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1978

[20th December  
1978]

REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS  
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1978

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SCHEDULE — Article 7: SERVICE DISCIPLINARY CONVICTIONS

1. Any conviction for an offence mentioned in this Schedule is...

*Provisions of the Army Act 1955 and the Air Force Act 1955*

2. Any offence under any of the provisions of the Army...
3. Any offence under section 68 (attempt to commit military offence)...
4. Any offence under section 68 (attempt to commit air-force offence)...

*Provisions of the Naval Discipline Act 1957*

5. Any offence under any of the provisions of the Naval...
6. Any offence under section 40 (attempt to commit naval offence)...

*Provisions of the Armed Forces Act 2006*

7. Any service offence within the meaning of the Armed Forces...

**Changes to legislation:**

Rehabilitation of Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 03 February 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- art.4(1) rev.in pt. by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- art.4(1) rev.in pt. by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- art. 6(1)(e) words inserted by [2021 c. 11 Sch. 13 para. 35\(a\)](#)
- art. 6(2) words inserted by [2021 c. 11 Sch. 13 para. 35\(b\)](#)
- art. 6(9)(c) words inserted by [2021 c. 11 Sch. 13 para. 35\(c\)](#)
- art.7(6) rev.in pt. by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- art.7(6) rev.in pt. by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act amended by [1996 c. 46 s.14](#)
- Act amended by [1996 c. 46 s.14](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art.4(2)-(4) revoked by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- art.4(2)-(4) revoked by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- art.7(7) revoked by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)
- art.7(7) revoked by [1996 c. 46 s.35\(2\)Sch.7 Pt.III](#)