



Friendly Societies Act 1974

1974 CHAPTER 46

Offences, penalties and legal proceedings

102 Jurisdiction of magistrates' courts

Without prejudice to the provisions of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1952 as to the jurisdiction of a magistrates' court, in England and Wales all summary offences under this Act may be prosecuted—

- (a) where the prosecution is against a registered society or branch or any officer thereof, before a magistrates' court acting for the petty sessions area in which the registered office of the society or branch is situated; and
- (b) where the prosecution is against a person other than a registered society or branch or an officer thereof, before a magistrates' court acting for the petty sessions area in which the person is resident at the time of the institution of the prosecution.