



Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988

1988 CHAPTER 53

PART III

FIXED PENALTIES

^{F1}[Conditional offer of fixed penalty]

^{F1}77A Endorsement of driving records where penalty paid

- (1) Where—
 - ^{F2}(a) a conditional offer has been issued to a person (“the alleged offender”) under section 75(1), (2) or (3),]
 - (b) proceedings against the alleged offender for the offence to which the conditional offer relates are excluded by section ^{F3}76(2)] of this Act,the fixed penalty clerk must forthwith send to the Secretary of State notice of the relevant particulars to be endorsed on the alleged offender's driving record ^{F4}....
- (2) The Secretary of State must endorse the relevant particulars on a person's driving record ^{F5}...—
 - (a) on receiving notice under subsection (1) above, or
 - ^{F6}(b) in a case where—
 - (i) a conditional offer is issued to a person (“the alleged offender”) under section 75(1A) or (3B), and
 - (ii) proceedings against the alleged offender are excluded by section 76(2).]
- (3) Where in Scotland the appropriate person is the fixed penalty clerk and it appears to him that there is an error in an endorsement made by virtue of this section on a person's driving record, he may send to the Secretary of State notice of the error.
- (4) Subject to subsection (5) below, where a cheque tendered in payment is subsequently dishonoured—

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- (a) any endorsement made by the Secretary of State under subsection (2) above remains effective notwithstanding that the alleged offender is still liable to prosecution in respect of the alleged offence to which the endorsement relates, and
 - (b) unless the appropriate person is the Secretary of State, the appropriate person must upon expiry of the period specified in the conditional offer or, if the period has expired, forthwith notify the person required to be notified that no payment has been made.
- (5) When proceedings are brought against an alleged offender where subsection (4) above applies, the court—
- (a) must order the removal of the fixed penalty endorsement from the driving record of the alleged offender,
 - (b) may, on finding the alleged offender guilty, make any competent order of endorsement or disqualification and pass any competent sentence, and
 - (c) must send to the Secretary of State notice of any order made under paragraph (a) or (b) above.
- (6) On receiving notice under subsection (3) above, the Secretary of State may correct the error in the endorsement on the driving record; and any endorsement corrected shall be treated for all purposes as if it had been correctly made on receipt of the fixed penalty.
- (7) On receiving a notice under subsection (5)(c) above, the Secretary of State must make any necessary adjustments to the endorsements on the alleged offender's driving record.
- (8) The references in subsection (1) and (2) above to the relevant particulars are to—
- (a) particulars of the offence, including the date when it was committed, and
 - (b) the number of penalty points to be attributed to the offence.
- (9) Where a person's driving record is endorsed under this section he shall be treated for the purposes of sections 13(4), 28, 29 and 45A of this Act and of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 as if—
- (a) he had been convicted of the offence,
 - (b) the endorsement had been made in pursuance of an order made on his conviction by a court under section 44 of this Act, and
 - (c) the particulars of the offence endorsed by virtue of subsection (8)(a) above were particulars of his conviction of that offence.
- (10) In relation to any endorsement of a person's driving record under this section, the references in section 13(4) of this Act to any order made on a person's conviction are to be read as references to the endorsement itself.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 77A inserted (1.4.2009) by [Road Safety Act 2006 \(c. 49\)](#), s. 61(1)(10), **Sch. 2 para. 27**; S.I. 2008/3164, art. 4(b)
- F2** S. 77A(1)(a) substituted (30.11.2022) by [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), **ss. 94(4)(a)**, 208(1); S.I. 2022/1187, reg. 4(a) (with Pt. 3)
- F3** Word in s. 77A(1)(b) substituted (30.11.2022) by [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), **ss. 94(4)(b)**, 208(1); S.I. 2022/1187, reg. 4(a) (with Pt. 3)
- F4** Words in s. 77A(1) omitted (30.11.2022) by virtue of [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), **ss. 94(4)(c)**, 208(1); S.I. 2022/1187, reg. 4(a) (with Pt. 3)

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- F5** Words in s. 77A(2) omitted (30.11.2022) by virtue of Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), **ss. 94(4)(d)**, 208(1); S.I. 2022/1187, reg. 4(a) (with Pt. 3)
- F6** S. 77A(2)(b) substituted (30.11.2022) by Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (c. 32), **ss. 94(4)(e)**, 208(1); S.I. 2022/1187, reg. 4(a) (with Pt. 3)

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

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

- s. 29(2A) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 34\(2\)](#)
- s. 30A-30D inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 34\(3\)](#)
- s. 30C(5)(f) words substituted by [S.I. 2009/1885 Sch. 1 para. 15](#)
- s. 34A(7A) inserted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(3\)\(d\)](#)
- s. 34B(12) added by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 34D-34G inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 15\(1\)](#)
- s. 34D(1)(d) words inserted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 34D(3) words inserted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 34D(5A) inserted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 34D(6)(a) words substituted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(5\)\(d\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 34D(6)(b) words substituted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(5\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 34D(6A) inserted by [2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 90\(5\)\(e\)](#)
- s. 34F(5)(f) words substituted by [S.I. 2009/1885 Sch. 1 para. 17](#)
- s. 35A(6)(a) words substituted by [2012 c. 10 Sch. 13 para. 8\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 35A(6) omitted (13.4.2015) by virtue of Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 (c. 2), ss. 30(1)(c), 95(1); S.I. 2015/778, art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 25)
- s. 35A(6)(b) words inserted by [2012 c. 10 Sch. 13 para. 8\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 35A(6) omitted (13.4.2015) by virtue of Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 (c. 2), ss. 30(1)(c), 95(1); S.I. 2015/778, art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 25)
- s. 36(13A) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 37\(6\)](#)
- s. 40B(9) words substituted by [2006 c. 49 Sch. 2 para. 33](#)
- s. 41B inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 15\(2\)](#)
- s. 84(1) s. 84 renumbered as s. 84(1) by [2004 c. 28 s. 16\(3\)](#)
- s. 84(2)(3) inserted by [2004 c. 28 s. 16\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 3(aa) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 15\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(za) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 15\(3\)\(b\)](#)