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# Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994

## 1994 CHAPTER 33

### PART III

COURSE OF JUSTICE: EVIDENCE, PROCEDURE, ETC.

*Sentencing: guilty pleas*

#### **48 Reduction in sentences for guilty pleas.**

- (1) In determining what sentence to pass on an offender who has pleaded guilty to an offence in proceedings before that or another court a court shall take into account—
  - (a) the stage in the proceedings for the offence at which the offender indicated his intention to plead guilty, and
  - (b) the circumstances in which this indication was given.
- (2) If, as a result of taking into account any matter referred to in subsection (1) above, the court imposes a punishment on the offender which is less severe than the punishment it would otherwise have imposed, it shall state in open court that it has done so.

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