

# Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000

## **2000 CHAPTER 6**

### PART VII

#### FURTHER POWERS OF COURTS

#### Driving disqualifications

#### 146 Driving disqualification for any offence

- (1) The court by or before which a person is convicted of an offence committed after 31st December 1997 may, instead of or in addition to dealing with him in any other way, order him to be disqualified, for such period as it thinks fit, for holding or obtaining a driving licence.
- (2) Where the person is convicted of an offence the sentence for which is fixed by law or falls to be imposed under section 109(2), 110(2) or 111(2) above, subsection (1) above shall have effect as if the words "instead of or" were omitted.
- (3) A court shall not make an order under subsection (1) above unless the court has been notified by the Secretary of State that the power to make such orders is exercisable by the court and the notice has not been withdrawn.
- (4) A court which makes an order under this section disqualifying a person for holding or obtaining a driving licence shall require him to produce—
  - (a) any such licence held by him together with its counterpart; or
  - (b) in the case where he holds a Community licence (within the meaning of Part III of the Road Traffic Act 1988), his Community licence and its counterpart (if any).
- (5) In this section—

"driving licence" means a licence to drive a motor vehicle granted under Part III of the Road Traffic Act 1988; "counterpart"-

- (a) in relation to a driving licence, has the meaning given in relation to such a licence by section 108(1) of that Act; and
- (b) in relation to a Community licence, has the meaning given by section 99B of that Act.