



Coroners and Justice Act 2009

2009 CHAPTER 25

PART 2

CRIMINAL OFFENCES

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66 Penalties

- (1) This section has effect where a person is guilty of an offence under section 62(1).
- (2) The offender is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the relevant period or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or both;
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or a fine, or both.
- (3) “The relevant period” means—
 - (a) in relation to England and Wales, [^{F1}the general limit in a magistrates’ court];
 - (b) in relation to Northern Ireland, 6 months.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 66(3)(a) substituted (7.2.2023 at 12.00 p.m.) by [The Judicial Review and Courts Act 2022 \(Magistrates’ Court Sentencing Powers\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/149\)](#), regs. 1(2), 2(1), [Sch. Pt. 1](#) table

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Commencement Information

II S. 66 in force at 6.4.2010 by S.I. 2010/816, art. 2, [Sch. para. 1](#)

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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. 11A and cross-heading inserted by [2023 c. 41 Sch. 11 para. 1\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 1A inserted by [2023 c. 41 Sch. 11 para. 1\(2\)](#)