



# Specialist Printing Equipment and Materials (Offences) Act 2015

## 2015 CHAPTER 16

- 1 Offence of supplying specialist printing equipment knowing it will be used for criminal purposes**
- (1) A person commits an offence if—
    - (a) the person supplies any specialist printing equipment, and
    - (b) in making the supply, the person knows that the equipment will be or is intended to be used for the purposes of criminal conduct.
  - (2) “Criminal conduct” means conduct which constitutes—
    - (a) an offence under the law of England and Wales, or
    - (b) an offence under the law of a country outside England and Wales which, if it took place in England and Wales, would constitute an offence in England and Wales.
  - (3) An individual guilty of an offence under this section is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 years, or to a fine, or to both.
  - (4) Any other person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on conviction on indictment to a fine.
  - (5) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section to prove that the person’s conduct was necessary for a purpose related to the prevention or detection of crime.