



Offensive Weapons Act 2019

CHAPTER 17

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PART 1

CORROSIVE PRODUCTS AND SUBSTANCES

Sale and delivery of corrosive products

- 1 Sale of corrosive products to persons under 18
- 2 Defence to remote sale of corrosive products to persons under 18
- 3 Delivery of corrosive products to residential premises etc
- 4 Delivery of corrosive products to persons under 18
- 5 Presumptions in proceedings in Scotland for offence under section 1, 3 or 4

Possession of corrosive substances

- 6 Offence of having a corrosive substance in a public place
- 7 Presumptions in proceedings in Scotland for offence under section 6
- 8 Appropriate custodial sentence for conviction under section 6
- 9 Offence under section 6: relevant convictions
- 10 Search for corrosive substances: England and Wales
- 11 Search for corrosive substances: Scotland
- 12 Search for corrosive substances: Northern Ireland

Consequential amendments relating to corrosive products and substances

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PART 2

KNIFE CRIME PREVENTION ORDERS

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Knife crime prevention orders made otherwise than on conviction

- 14 Knife crime prevention order made otherwise than on conviction
- 15 Requirements for application for order under section 14
- 16 Application without notice

Interim knife crime prevention orders

- 17 Interim knife crime prevention order: application without notice
- 18 Interim knife crime prevention order: application not determined

Knife crime prevention orders made on conviction

- 19 Knife crime prevention order made on conviction
- 20 Requirement to consult on application for order under section 19

Provisions of knife crime prevention order

- 21 Provisions of knife crime prevention order
- 22 Requirements included in knife crime prevention order etc
- 23 Duration of knife crime prevention order etc

Notification requirements

- 24 Notification requirements
- 25 Offences relating to notification

Supplementary provisions

- 26 Review of knife crime prevention order
- 27 Variation, renewal or discharge of knife crime prevention order etc
- 28 Appeal against knife crime prevention order etc
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- 33 Interpretation of Part

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SALE AND DELIVERY OF KNIVES ETC

- 34 Sale etc of bladed articles to persons under 18
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- 36 Defence to sale etc of bladed articles to persons under 18: Scotland
- 37 Defence to sale of bladed articles to persons under 18: Northern Ireland
- 38 Delivery of bladed products to residential premises etc
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- 41 Meaning of “bladed product” in sections 38 to 40
- 42 Delivery of bladed articles to persons under 18

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POSSESSION ETC OF CERTAIN OFFENSIVE WEAPONS

- 43 Amendments to the definition of “flick knife”

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- 44 Prohibition on the possession of certain dangerous knives
- 45 Prohibition on the possession of offensive weapons on further education premises
- 46 Prohibition on the possession of offensive weapons
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- 50 Offence of threatening with offensive weapon etc in a public place etc
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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 — Corrosive products

- 1 This is the table referred to in section 1(11)— Name...

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SCHEDULE 2 — Consequential amendments relating to sections 54 and 55

Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 (c. 2)

- 1 The Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 is amended as...
- 2 In section 50(5A) (penalty for improper importation of certain firearms)
—...
- 3 In section 68(4A) (penalty for offence in relation to exportation...
- 4 In section 170(4A) (penalty for customs offences relating to certain...
- 5 An amendment made by any of paragraphs 2(a), 3(a) and...
- 6 An amendment made by any of paragraphs 2(b), 3(b) and...

Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000 (c. 6)

- 7 (1) Section 91 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing)...
- 8 The amendments made by paragraph 7 apply only in relation...

Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 (c. 38)

- 9 The Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 is amended as follows...
- 10 In section 29(3)(b) (offence in England and Wales and Scotland...
- 11 In paragraph 2(3)(b) of Schedule 2 (offence in Northern Ireland...
- 12 The amendment made by paragraph 10 applies only in relation...
- 13 The amendment made by paragraph 11 applies only in relation...

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 8(9) words substituted by [2020 c. 17 Sch. 24 para. 299](#)
- s. 9(1)(b) words substituted by [2019 c. 17 s. 9\(5\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 9(1)(c) word inserted by [2019 c. 17 s. 9\(5\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 9(1)(e) and word omitted by [2019 c. 17 s. 9\(5\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- s. 9(3) words omitted by [2019 c. 17 s. 9\(5\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 9(3) words omitted by [2019 c. 17 s. 9\(5\)\(b\)\(iii\)](#)
- s. 9(3) words substituted by [2019 c. 17 s. 9\(5\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)