



# Restriction of Offensive Weapons Act 1961

## 1961 CHAPTER 22

An Act to amend the law in relation to the exposure and possession for the purpose of sale or hire, and to the importation, of flick knives and other dangerous weapons.  
[18th May 1961]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

### **1 Prohibition of exposure and possession of dangerous weapons for sale or hire.**

In subsection (1) of section one of the Restriction of Offensive Weapons Act, 1959 (which subsection makes it an offence to manufacture, sell or hire or offer for sale or hire, or lend or give a flick knife or other dangerous weapon) after the words " offers for sale or hire " there shall be inserted the words " or exposes or has in his possession for the purpose of sale or hire " .

### **2 Prohibition of importation of dangerous weapons into Northern Ireland.**

Notwithstanding anything in subsection (3) of section two of the Restriction of Offensive Weapons Act, 1959 (which restricts the operation of that Act to Great Britain), subsection (2) of section one of that Act (which prohibits the importation of flick knives and other knives described in subsection (1) of the said section one) shall extend to Northern Ireland.

### **3 Short title, citation and commencement.**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Restriction of Offensive Weapons Act, 1961.
- (2) This Act and the Restriction of Offensive Weapons Act, 1959, may be cited as the Restriction of Offensive Weapons Acts, 1959 and 1961.

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- (3) This Act shall come into operation at the expiration of the period of one month beginning with the day on which it is passed.