SCHEDULE 1

CHARGES AND JOINDER

PART I

RULES

- **3.** Where the specific offence with which an accused person is charged in a charge sheet is one created by or under an enactment, then (without prejudice to the generality of paragraph 2 of this Part)—
 - (a) the statement of offence shall contain a reference to—
 - (i) the section of, or the paragraph of the Schedule to, the Act creating the offence in the case of an offence created by a provision of an Act;
 - (ii) the provision creating the offence in the case of an offence created by a provision of a subordinate instrument;
 - (b) the particulars shall disclose the essential elements of the offence:
 Provided that an essential element need not be disclosed if the accused person is not prejudiced or embarrassed in his defence by the failure to disclose it;
 - (c) it shall not be necessary to specify or negative an exception, exemption, proviso, excuse or qualification.