1984 No. 253

FINES

Criminal Penalties etc. (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 1984

Made . . . . . *19th July 1984*

Coming into operation . . . *1st September 1984*

To be laid before Parliament.

Whereas it appears to me that there has been a change in the value of money since 29th July 1977 justifying, as regards the sums specified in the provisions mentioned in Article 17(2) of the Fines and Penalties (Northern Ireland) Order 1984(**a**), the sums substituted therefor by this Order:

Now, therefore, I, in pursuance of Article 17(1) of that Order, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Criminal Penalties etc. (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 1984 and, subject to paragraph (2), shall come into operation on 1st September 1984.

(2) This Order shall not affect the amount of any fine imposed, nor the amount of any compensation order made, in respect of any offence committed before 1st September 1984 nor the amount of any fine imposed in respect of any act or omission taking place before that date.

(3) In this Order "the principal Order" means the Fines and Penalties (Northern Ireland) Order 1984.

Increase of penalties and other sums

2.—(1) For the sums specified in the provisions set out in column 1 of Schedule 1 and generally described in column 2 of that Schedule, the present amounts of which are set out in column 3, there shall be substituted the sums set out in column 4.

(2) For the sums specified in the Table set out in paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**b**), being sums for the purpose of determining the maximum periods of imprisonment applicable in default of payment in respect of certain orders of a magistrates' court, the present amounts of which are set out in column 1 of Schedule 2 and which relate to the maximum period of imprisonment set out in column 3 of that Schedule, there shall be substituted the sums set out in column 2.

(3) For the sums specified in the provisions set out in column 1 of Schedule 3 (which provisions are mentioned in Schedules 4 and 5 to the principal Order) and generally described in column 2 of that Schedule, the present amounts of which are set out in column 3, there shall be substituted the sums set out in column 4.

(4) For the sums specified in Article 5(2) of the principal Order, which are set out in column 2 of Schedule 4 and which represent the amounts of the fines on the levels of the standard scale set out in column 1 of that Schedule, there shall be substituted the sums set out in column 3.

James Prior
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
19th July 1984

(a) S.I. 1984/703 (N.I. 3)

(b) S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26)

SCHEDULE 1 Article 2(1)

SUMS SPECIFIED IN PROVISIONS MENTIONED IN ARTICLE 17(2) OF THE PRINCIPAL ORDER WHICH ARE INCREASED BY ARTICLE 2(1)

1 *Provision*	2 *General description of sum*	3 *Present amount of sum*	4 *New amount of sum*
1. Article 4 of the principal Order.	The "prescribed sum" i.e. the maximum fine on summary conviction of an offence also punishable on conviction on indictment.	£1,000	£2,000
2. Section 72(1) of the Children and Young Persons Act (Northern Ireland) 1968(**a**).	(*a*) Maximum aggregate of fine and costs on conviction by a court of summary jurisdiction of child.	£50	£100
	(*b*) Maximum aggregate of fine and costs on conviction by a court of summary jurisdiction of young person.	£200	£400
3. Article 3(5) of the Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1980(**b**).	Maximum amount of compensation order made by a magistrates' court.	£1,000	£2,000
4. Article 54(1)(*b*) of The Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.	Maximum fine for an offence punishable on summary conviction only where enactment does not authorise fine.	£200	£400

(**a**) 1968 c. 34 (N.I.) as amended by Article 15 of the principal Order
(**b**) S.I. 1980/704 (N.I. 6)

SCHEDULE 2 Article 2(2)

SUMS SPECIFIED IN TABLE OF IMPRISONMENT FOR FINE DEFAULT WHICH ARE INCREASED BY ARTICLE 2(2)

1 *Present amount of sums*	2 *New amount of sums*	3 *Maximum period of imprisonment, etc. applicable to sum*
An amount not exceeding £25.	An amount not exceeding £50.	7 days
An amount exceeding £25 but not exceeding £50.	An amount exceeding £50 but not exceeding £100.	14 days
An amount exceeding £50 but not exceeding £200.	An amount exceeding £100 but not exceeding £400.	30 days
An amount exceeding £200 but not exceeding £500.	An amount exceeding £400 but not exceeding £1,000.	60 days
An amount exceeding £500 but not exceeding £1,000.	An amount exceeding £1,000 but not exceeding £2,000.	90 days
An amount exceeding £1,000 but not exceeding £2,500.	An amount exceeding £2,000 but not exceeding £5,000.	6 months
An amount exceeding £2,500 but not exceeding £5,000.	An amount exceeding £5,000 but not exceeding £10,000.	9 months
An amount exceeding £5,000.	An amount exceeding £10,000.	12 months