SECTION 10 POLICING, SECURITY AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ACT 2024

General Direction No. 4A

The Director of Public Prosecutions, pursuant to powers conferred on her by Section 10(5) of the Policing, Security and Community Safety Act 2024, hereby gives the following direction concerning the institution and conduct of prosecutions concerning allegations that an RF111 change of particulars form was forwarded to a motor taxation office for the purpose of falsely declaring that a new engine had been inserted in a vehicle with reduced engine capacity size.

In such cases the Director consents to summary disposal without the submission of a Garda file in relation to the offence of deception under section 6 of the Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001 where the value of the gain or loss does not exceed €7,000.

The Garda having carriage of the case should consider forwarding a file to the Director of Public Prosecutions in any case where, although the offence or offences are captured by the above general consent, the multiplicity of the charges or the previous record of the accused or other aggravating circumstances suggest that summary disposal would be inappropriate or that a 12 months sentence (or in the case of more than once offence a 24 month sentence) would be inadequate.

General Direction No 3A (of 8 November 2021) will cease to have effect on 2 April 2025.

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Director of Public Prosecutions

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2 April 2025

Explanatory note:

This General Direction No 4A replaces General Direction No 3A of 8 November 2021.