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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1999 No. 7**

**MAGISTRATES' COURTS**

**Magistrates' Courts (Criminal Justice  
(Children)) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1999**

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**MAGISTRATES' COURTS (CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
(CHILDREN)) RULES (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1999**

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9. Procedure for summary trial of indictable offences

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

C.

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