Appendix 1: Rehabilitation periods for certain types of sentence/disposal under the 1974 Act (as amended by the 2012 Act)

Sentence/disposal	Rehabilitation period if aged 18 or over when convicted/disposal administered	Rehabilitation period if aged under 18 when convicted/disposal administered
A custodial sentence of over 48 months	Never spent	
A custodial sentence of over 30 months but not exceeding 48 months	7 years from the date on which the sentence (including any licence period) is completed)	42 months from the date on which the sentence (including any licence period) is completed)
A custodial sentence of over 6 months but not exceeding 30 months	48 months from the date on which the sentence (including any licence period) is completed)	24 months from the date on which the sentence (including any licence period) is completed)
A custodial sentence of up to 6 months	24 months from the date on which the sentence (including any licence period) is completed)	18 months from the date on which the sentence (including any licence period) is completed)
Fine	12 months from the date of the conviction in respect of which the fine was imposed	6 months from the date of the conviction in respect of which the fine was imposed
Community order	12 months from the last day on which the order has effect	6 months from the last day on which the order has effect
Conditional caution	3 months from the date on which the caution was given, or (if earlier) when the caution ceases to have effect	
Simple caution, youth caution	Spent immediately	
Compensation order	On the discharge of the order (i.e. when it is paid in full)	