Ongoing Supply Ecstasy / MDMA

s.25A (NSW) Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act

s.25A Supply prohibited drug for financial reward on three or more separate occasions during any period of 30 consecutive days

Maximum Penalty: 20 years

Commenced: 7.8.1998

Ecstasy / MDMA - 3,4 methylenedioxymethylamphetamine

	Case (age if known)	Offence	Amount	Plea	Sentence	Appeal	Priors	Facts
1.	Hennock (19) [2002] NSWCCA 229	s.25A MDMA Sched: 3 drug offences		PG	4y NPP 2y	AD	nil	Supplied 10 tablets then 200 tablets to intermediary who supplied them to undercover officer – several weeks later supplied 40 tablets directly to undercover officer – slightly above user/dealer Protective custody – need for lengthy supervised rehabilitation
2.	Burns (23) [2007] NSWCCA 228	s.25A ecstasy Knowingly take part in supply Sched: Supply	22.68g	PG	FT 2y Suspended \$10,000 fine	Crown AD	nil	Supplied one tablet to undercover officer and provided phone number – two months later supplied drugs to same officer on three occasions: 10 tablets, 30 tablets and 47 tablets – admitted to unknown involvement in selling further 800 tablets over six months Prior good character - voluntarily ceased offending prior to arrest

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	Chippendall (18) [2009] NSWCCA 127	s.25A ecstasy	201 tablets	PG (40% combined)	4y NPP 2y	AA 3y NPP 1y 9m	Traffic offences only	Involved with co-offenders in supplying drugs - sold three tablets to undercover officer and provided phone number – two months later supplied 50 tablets – sold further 50 tablets on four separate occasions
3.		Supply ecstasy	50 tablets		FT 1y 6m	FT 1y 6m		over one month – received small reward for transactions – user/dealer at lower end of hierarchy
		Supply ecstasy	50 tablets		FT 1y 6m	FT 1y 6m		Assistance – prior good character – genuine remorse – favourable prospects of rehabilitation
		Sched: Supply	3 tablets		Total: 4y 6m NPP 2y 6m	Total: 3y 6m NPP 2y 3m		
	Singh (28) [2009] NSWCCA 129	s.25A MDMA	31.81g 319.8g 205.4g	PG (25%)	7y 6m NPP 5y	AA 7y 6m NPP 5y	Driving offences and minor drug related matters	Supplied tablets to undercover officer on three occasions with co-offender – long term drug dealer Heavy drug user – remorse On appeal: fortunate not to have been charged with
4.		Supply cannabis	2.25kg		7y 6m NPP 5y (concurrent)	FT 2y (concurrent)		commercial quantity – sentence for cannabis offence excessive
		Sched: Supply ecstasy GIC Possession	319.8g \$5400 86g cannabis					
	Button (23) [2010] NSWCCA 264	s.25A ecstasy	10 tablets	PG	2y 9m NPP 1y 3m	AA 2y 9m NPP 12m	PCA	Supplied total of ten tablets to undercover officer over three meetings – on arrest admitted he intended to sell further 26 tablets found in his possession – further admitted supplying to three separate persons
5.		Supply ecstasy	26 tablets		FT 9m	FT 9m		street dealer Favourable prospects rehabilitation
		Sched: 3 x supply ecstasy			<u>Total</u> : 3y NPP 1y 6m	<u>Total</u> : 2y 9m NPP 12m		On appeal: increased sentence without warning – procedural unfairness

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6.	Bidgood (44 at sentence) [2016] NSWCCA 138	s.25A MDMA Cultivate comm qty cannabis Supply cannabis Sched: 6 offences	1.2g 1.1g 5.1g 13.9g 60.7g cannabis leaf 303 cannabis sativa 3.2kg	PG (25%)	Indicative 3y 6m 1y 6m 1y Aggregate: 4y NPP 2y	AD	Common assault	On four occasions supplied drugs to associates from his residence who on sold them to buyers — additional drugs and plants found at home upon arrest: 3.2kg cannabis — 18g MDMA powder and 6.5g tablets — 5 LSD tablets — 15g cannabis seeds - \$5,630 cash — entire back yard used for growing cannabis plants — above street dealer Prior good character — prospects of rehabilitation good On appeal: error in finding s.25A aggravated by being committed for financial gain — error in failing to give benefit for good character — no lesser sentence should be imposed
7.	Kennedy (20) [2020] NSWCCA 49	s.25A MDMA	0.95g 0.87g 0.97g	PG (25%)	15m ICO 100h CSO	AA s.10A conviction	nil	Female – supplied to undercover officer after her flatmate passed on phone number – only occasions offender supplied drugs - used drugs to relieve stress Good character - University student – difficult childhood exposed to violence and substance abuse – self harm and mental health issues – insight and remorse – ceased offending and taking steps in rehabilitation prior to arrest – subjected to trauma when search warrant exercised On appeal: exceptional and unusual circumstances

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