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- 5 Annual close time orders
- 6 An application under paragraph 5 above shall be accompanied by...
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- 8 An application under paragraph 7(a) above shall be in writing...
- 9 In the application of paragraphs 10 to 15 below to...
- 10 Common provisions with respect to orders
- 11 (1) Before making an order or, as the case may...
- 12 At any time, the Scottish Ministers may alter the proposals...
- 13 Making of designation, annual close time or estuary limits order or salmon conservation regulations
- 14 (1) If any representation or objection duly made is not...
- 15 After considering the report of the person appointed to hold...
- 16 Applications under this schedule may be communicated and stored electronically....

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- 5 (1) The members of the committee shall be members of...

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- 1 Making of protection order
- 2 The notice to be given under paragraph 1 above shall...
- 3 The Scottish Ministers may direct that, in addition to publication...
- 4 If no representations or objections are duly made, or if...
- 5 (1) If any representation or objection duly made is not...
- 6 After considering the report of the person appointed to hold...
- 7 As soon as may be after a protection order has...
- 8 Paragraph 7 above shall apply to an order varying a...
- 9 (1) Before the Scottish Ministers make an order revoking a...
- 10 The Scottish Ministers shall cause to be published each year...

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- 1 In section 18 (enforcement of orders in relation to salmon...
- 2 (1) The Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984 shall be amended...
- 3 (1) The Water Act 1989 shall be amended as follows....

Part 2 — REPEALS AND REVOCATIONS

Changes to legislation:

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 3 title substituted by 2007 asp 12 s. 19(2)
- s. 3 text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 19(1)
- s. 4(1) text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 20(2)(a)
- s. 4(1) text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 24(2)
- s. 4(2) text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 20(2)(b)
- s. 4(3) inserted by 2007 asp 12 s. 20(2)(c)
- s. 8(1) text amended by S.S.I. 2009/85 Sch. 2 para. 10(a)
- s. 17(5) inserted by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(2)
- s. 24 repealed by 2007 asp 12 s. 35(1)
- s. 28(2)(a) text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 23(1)
- s. 28(2)(c) and word repealed by S.S.I. 2006/181 Sch. Pt. 1
- s. 30(1) text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 23(2)(a)
- s. 30(5) text amended by 2007 asp 12 s. 23(2)(b)
- s. 31(5)(b) text amended by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(3)
- s. 48(2A) inserted by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(4)(a)
- s. 48(4) text amended by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(4)(b)
- s. 48(4A)(4B) inserted by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(4)(c)
- s. 48(10) text amended by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(4)(d)
- s. 64(1)(b) substituted by 1989 c. 15 Sch. 17 para. 4 (as substituted) by 2003 asp 15 Sch. 4 para. 3(2)
- s. 64(3) added by 1989 c. 15 Sch. 17 para. 4 (as substituted) by 2003 asp 15 Sch. 4 para. 3(2)
- s. 69 text amended by S.S.I. 2009/85 Sch. 2 para. 10(b)
- Sch. 1 para. 9(aa) inserted by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(5)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 9A inserted by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(5)(b)
- Sch. 3 para. 8 substituted by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(7)
- Sch. 3 para. 2 text amended by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(6)
- Sch. 3 para. 9(1) text amended by 2007 asp 12 Sch. para. 6(8)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 3A inserted by 2007 asp 12 s. 20(1)
- s. 5A inserted by 2007 asp 12 s. 21
- s. 17A 17B inserted by 2007 asp 12 s. 22
- s. 33A inserted by 2007 asp 12 s. 35(2)
- s. 51A inserted by 2007 asp 12 s. 24(1)

Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003:

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Act into force:

- S.S.I. 2005/174 art. 2 commences (2004 asp 15)
- S.S.I. 2007/333 art. 2 commences (2007 asp 12)