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PART 2
FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

CHAPTER 2
PRINCIPAL FIRE AND RESCUE FUNCTIONS

8 Fire safety

(1) [F1SFRS must] make provision for the purpose of promoting fire safety in its area.

(2) In making provision under subsection (1) [F2SFRS must] in particular, to the extent that [F3it] considers it reasonable to do so, make arrangements for—

(a) the provision of information, publicity and encouragement in respect of the steps to be taken to prevent—

(i) fires; and

(ii) death or injury by fire;

(b) the giving of advice, on request, about—

(i) how to prevent fires and restrict their spread in buildings and other property; and

(ii) the means of escape from buildings and other property in the event of fire.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in s. 8(1) substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), ss. 102(a), 129(2); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)

F2 Words in s. 8(2) substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), ss. 102(b)(i), 129(2); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)

F3 Word in s. 8(2) substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), ss. 102(b)(ii), 129(2); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)
9 Fire-fighting

(1) [F4 SFRS must] make provision for the purpose of—
   (a) extinguishing fires in its area; and
   (b) protecting life and property in the event of fires in its area.

(2) In making provision under subsection (1) [F5 SFRS must] in particular—
   (a) secure the provision of the personnel, services and equipment necessary to meet efficiently all normal requirements;
   (b) secure the provision of training for personnel;
   (c) make arrangements for—
      (i) dealing with calls for help; and
      (ii) summoning personnel,
       in the event of fire;
   (d) make arrangements for obtaining information required or likely to be required for the purpose mentioned in that subsection;
   (e) make arrangements for ensuring that reasonable steps are taken to prevent or limit damage to property resulting from action taken for the purpose mentioned in that subsection.

Textual Amendments

F4 Words in s. 9(1) substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), ss. 104(a), 129(2); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)

F5 Words in s. 9(2) substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), ss. 104(b), 129(2); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)

10 Road traffic accidents

(1) [F6 SFRS must] make provision for the purpose of—
   (a) rescuing persons in the event of road traffic accidents in its area; and
   (b) to the extent that it considers it reasonable to do so, protecting persons from serious harm in the event of road traffic accidents in its area.

(2) In making provision under subsection (1) [F7 SFRS must] in particular—
   (a) secure the provision of the personnel, services and equipment necessary to meet efficiently all normal requirements;
   (b) secure the provision of training for personnel;
   (c) make arrangements for—
      (i) dealing with calls for help; and
      (ii) summoning personnel,
       in the event of road traffic accidents;
   (d) make arrangements for obtaining information required or likely to be required for the purpose mentioned in that subsection;
   (e) make arrangements for ensuring that reasonable steps are taken to prevent or limit damage to property resulting from action taken for the purpose mentioned in that subsection.
11  Conferral of functions in relation to other emergencies

(1) The Scottish Ministers may by order (an “additional function order”) confer on SFRS a function relating to an emergency of a kind specified in the order (the “additional function”).

(2) An additional function order may not specify as a kind of emergency—
   (a) a fire; or
   (b) a road traffic accident,
   in the area of SFRS.

(3) An additional function order may make provision for or in connection with—
   (a) requiring the additional function to be carried out by SFRS outwith its area;
   (b) specifying what SFRS shall or may do for the purpose of the additional function;
   (c) requiring or authorising SFRS—
       (i) to secure the provision of personnel, services and equipment;
       (ii) to secure the provision of training for personnel;
       (iii) to make arrangements for dealing with calls for help and summoning personnel;
       (iv) to make arrangements for obtaining information required or likely to be required for the purpose of carrying out the function;
       (v) to make arrangements for ensuring that reasonable steps are taken to prevent or limit damage to property resulting from carrying out the function.
Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005, Chapter 2.