

## Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012

## Threatening communications

## 7 Protection of freedom of expression

- (1) For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in section 6(5) prohibits or restricts—
  - (a) discussion or criticism of religions or the beliefs or practices of adherents of religions,
  - (b) expressions of antipathy, dislike, ridicule, insult or abuse towards those matters,
  - (c) proselytising, or
  - (d) urging of adherents of religions to cease practising their religions.
- (2) In subsection (1), "religions" includes—
  - (a) religions generally,
  - (b) particular religions,
  - (c) other belief systems.