



# Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Act 2016

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### PART 2

#### CREMATION

##### *Cremation*

#### 45 Meaning of “cremation” and “ashes”

- (1) In this Act, “cremation” means the burning of human remains; and includes—
  - (a) where a grinding process is applied to the burnt human remains, that process, and
  - (b) where any other process is applied to the burnt human remains, that other process.
- (2) In this Act, “ashes” means the material (other than any metal) to which human remains are reduced by cremation.
- (3) In this section—
  - “coffin” includes any type of receptacle,
  - “human remains” includes, where remains are clothed, in a coffin or with any other thing, the clothing, coffin or other thing.

#### Commencement Information

**II** [S. 45](#) in force at 4.4.2019 by [S.S.I. 2018/380](#), [reg. 2](#), [sch.](#) (with [reg. 8](#))

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Act 2016, Section 45.