

# Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Act 2018

### PART 4

**FELLING** 

## **CHAPTER 8**

COMPLIANCE

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- (1) This section applies to the powers in sections 45, 51, 52, 53 and 59.
- (2) A sheriff, a summary sheriff or a justice of the peace may by warrant authorise the Scottish Ministers—
  - (a) to enter the land concerned, and
  - (b) if necessary, to use reasonable force in doing so.
- (3) A warrant may be granted only if the sheriff, summary sheriff or justice is satisfied, by evidence on oath—
  - (a) that there are reasonable grounds under section 45, 51, 52, 53 or (as the case may be) 59 for entering the land concerned, and
  - (b) that—
    - (i) entry to the land has been refused,
    - (ii) such a refusal is reasonably expected,
    - (iii) the land is unoccupied, or
    - (iv) the occupier is temporarily absent.
- (4) A warrant may not authorise—
  - (a) entry to Crown land,

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- (b) entry to a dwelling, or
- (c) the use of force against an individual.
- (5) A warrant expires—
  - (a) when it is no longer needed for the purpose for which it was granted, or
  - (b) if earlier, when any period as may be specified in it expires.

## **Commencement Information**

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