



# Scottish Register of Tartans Act 2008

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### *The Scottish Register of Tartans*

#### **4 Functions of the Keeper**

- (1) The Keeper has the general functions of setting up, keeping and maintaining the Register.
- (2) The Keeper must—
  - (a) make the Register available on a website, or by other electronic means, to members of the public,
  - (b) make appropriate arrangements for the care and preservation of any document or other physical thing—
    - (i) sent to the Keeper in connection with, and relevant to, an application for registration of a tartan under section 6(1), or
    - (ii) otherwise acquired by the Keeper in connection with the carrying out of the Keeper's functions in relation to the Register,
  - (c) take such steps as are necessary to ensure that the Register is capable of being used efficiently and effectively.
- (3) The Keeper may—
  - (a) permit members of the public, on payment of the appropriate fee—
    - (i) to inspect any document or other physical thing in relation to which the Keeper's duty of care and preservation under subsection (2)(b) applies,
    - (ii) to make copies of any such document,on such days, at such times and under such conditions as the Keeper thinks fit,
  - (b) copy, or issue to the public copies of, any such document,
  - (c) in response to a reasonable request from a person who has paid the appropriate fee—
    - (i) provide information, or
    - (ii) carry out research,in relation to the Register,
  - (d) on payment of the appropriate fee, provide such other services to the public in relation to the Register as the Keeper thinks fit,

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- (e) take such steps as the Keeper considers appropriate to publicise the Register and encourage its use,
  - (f) in respect of matters within the Keeper's discretion, issue guidance on, or in connection with, the Register, and
  - (g) consult such persons as the Keeper considers appropriate before issuing such guidance.
- (4) The Keeper may do anything which appears to the Keeper to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of, or in connection with, the exercise of the Keeper's functions under this Act.
- (5) Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (3) are without prejudice to section 12A of the Public Records (Scotland) Act 1937 (c. 43) (duty to afford facilities for inspection etc. of certain records).

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