

# Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 2011 asp 1



REVIEW OF COMPULSORY SUPERVISION ORDER

Requirement for review

# 129 Requirement under Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 S

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where—
  - (a) under section 12(1A) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 8) the sheriff requires the Principal Reporter to arrange a children's hearing in respect of a child, and
  - (b) a compulsory supervision order is in force in relation to the child.

(2) The Principal Reporter must initiate a review of the compulsory supervision order.

**Commencement Information** 

II S. 129 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 130 Case remitted under section 49 of Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 S

- (1) This section applies where, in relation to a child—
  - (a) a court remits a case under section 49 of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 to the Principal Reporter to arrange for the disposal of the case by a children's hearing, and
  - (b) a compulsory supervision order is in force in relation to the child.
- (2) The Principal Reporter must initiate a review of the compulsory supervision order.
- (3) A certificate signed by the clerk of the court stating that the child has pled guilty to, or been found guilty of, the offence to which the case relates is conclusive evidence for the purposes of the children's hearing held for the purposes of reviewing the order that the offence was committed by the child.

(4) This Act applies as if the plea of guilty, or the finding of guilt, were a determination of the sheriff under section 108 that the ground in section 67(2)(j) was established in relation to the child.

#### **Commencement Information**

I2 S. 130 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# **131** Duty of implementation authority to require review **S**

- (1) The implementation authority must, by notice to the Principal Reporter, require a review of a compulsory supervision order in relation to a child where the authority is satisfied that one or more of the circumstances set out in subsection (2) exist.
- (2) Those circumstances are—
  - (a) the compulsory supervision order ought to be terminated or varied,
  - (b) the compulsory supervision order is not being complied with,
  - (c) the best interests of the child would be served by the authority making one of the following applications, and the authority intends to make such an application—
    - (i) an application under section 80 of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 4) (the "2007 Act") for a permanence order,
    - (ii) an application under section 92 of the 2007 Act for variation of such an order,
    - (iii) an application under section 93 of the 2007 Act for amendment of such an order,
    - (iv) an application under section 98 of the 2007 Act for revocation of such an order,
  - (d) the best interests of the child would be served by the authority placing the child for adoption and the authority intends to place the child for adoption,
  - (e) the authority is aware that an application has been made and is pending, or is about to be made, under section 29 or 30 of the 2007 Act for an adoption order in respect of the child.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations specify the period within which a requirement under subsection (1) must be made where the implementation authority is satisfied as to the existence of the circumstances mentioned in subsection (2)(a) to (d).
- (4) Different periods may be specified for different circumstances, or classes of circumstances.
- (5) Where an implementation authority is under a duty to require a review under subsection (1) by virtue of being satisfied as to the existence of the circumstances mentioned in subsection (2)(e), the authority must do so as soon as practicable after the authority becomes aware of the application.

# Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 131(2) applied (with modifications) (24.6.2013) by The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Transfer of Children to Scotland - Effect of Orders made in England and Wales or Northern Ireland) Regulations 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/99), regs. 1, 7(3)

## **Commencement Information**

I3 S. 131 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 132 [<sup>F1</sup>Right to require review: child, relevant person and person afforded opportunity to participate] S

- (1) This section applies where a compulsory supervision order is in force in relation to a child.
- (2) The child may by giving notice to the Principal Reporter require a review of the order.
- (3) A relevant person in relation to the child may by giving notice to the Principal Reporter require a review of the order.
- [<sup>F2</sup>(3A) An individual who is entitled to do so by subsection (6) may by giving notice to the Principal Reporter require a review of the order.]
  - (4) The order may not be reviewed—
    - (a) during the period of 3 months beginning with the day on which the order is made,
    - (b) if the order is continued or varied, during the period of 3 months beginning with the day on which it is continued or varied.
  - (5) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations provide that, despite subsection (4), where the order includes a secure accommodation authorisation, the order may be reviewed during a period specified in the regulations.
  - $[^{F3}(6)$  An individual is entitled to require a review under subsection (3A) if—
    - (a) the Principal Reporter was satisfied at the relevant time, or
      - (b) a pre-hearing panel or children's hearing determined,

that the individual met the criteria to be afforded an opportunity to participate in relation to the children's hearing that most recently made a decision in respect of the order (whether that was a decision to make, vary or continue it).

- (7) Where a children's hearing is arranged as a result (solely or partly) of an individual requiring a review under subsection (3A), the individual is to be treated as an individual whom a pre-hearing panel has determined meets the criteria to be afforded an opportunity to participate in relation to the children's hearing.
- (8) For the purposes of subsections (6) and (7)—
  - (a) "the criteria to be afforded an opportunity to participate" means the criteria specified in rules under section 177 to be afforded the rights mentioned in section 79(5ZA) in relation to a children's hearing,
  - (b) "the relevant time" means—
    - (i) the time when the children's hearing referred to in subsection (6) began, or
    - (ii) if more than one children's hearing is to be regarded as a single children's hearing by virtue of paragraph (c), the time when any one of them began,
  - (c) if the children's hearing that most recently made a decision in respect of the order was a subsequent children's hearing arranged as a result of an earlier

children's hearing deferring making a decision, they are to be regarded as a single children's hearing.]

## **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** S. 132 heading substituted (26.7.2021) by virtue of Children (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 16), ss. 25(4)(c), 34(2); S.S.I. 2020/412, reg. 2(2)(c)
- F2 S. 132(3A) inserted (26.7.2021) by Children (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 16), ss. 25(4)(a), 34(2); S.S.I. 2020/412, reg. 2(2)(c)
- **F3** S. 132(6)-(8) inserted (26.7.2021) by Children (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 16), ss. 25(4)(b), 34(2); S.S.I. 2020/412, reg. 2(2)(c)

#### **Commencement Information**

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I4 S. 132 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3
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# [<sup>F4</sup>132A Right of person not afforded opportunity to participate to require review S

- (1) The Principal Reporter must initiate a review of a compulsory supervision order in relation to a child if requested to do so by an individual who claims to be an individual to whom subsection (2) applies.
- (2) This subsection applies to an individual if—
  - (a) the individual did not attend the children's hearing that most recently made a decision in respect of the order (whether that was a decision to make, vary or continue it), and
  - (b) either—
    - (i) the conditions in subsection (3) are met, or
    - (ii) the conditions in subsection (4) are met.
- (3) The conditions referred to in subsection (2)(b)(i) are—
  - (a) neither a pre-hearing panel nor a children's hearing made a determination about whether the individual met the criteria to be afforded an opportunity to participate in relation to the children's hearing referred to in subsection (2)(a),
  - (b) it is more likely than not that had a pre-hearing panel or children's hearing made a determination about that matter at the relevant time, it would have determined that the individual met those criteria in relation to the children's hearing, and
  - (c) the individual was not afforded the rights mentioned in section 79(5ZA) in relation to the children's hearing as the Principal Reporter either did not consider whether, or was not satisfied that, the individual met those criteria in relation to the children's hearing.
- (4) The conditions referred to in subsection (2)(b)(ii) are—
  - (a) the Principal Reporter was satisfied at the relevant time, or a pre-hearing panel or children's hearing determined, that the individual met the criteria to be afforded an opportunity to participate in relation to the children's hearing referred to in subsection (2)(a), and
  - (b) the individual was not able to participate properly in the children's hearing's decision making as a result of—
    - (i) a material failure to treat the individual, or any representative of the individual, in accordance with the rules, or

(ii) exceptional circumstances.

(5) For the purposes of this section—

- (a) "the criteria to be afforded an opportunity to participate" means the criteria specified in the rules to be afforded the rights mentioned in section 79(5ZA) in relation to a children's hearing,
- (b) "the relevant time" means—
  - (i) the time when the children's hearing referred to in subsection (2)(a) began, or
  - (ii) if more than one children's hearing is to be regarded as a single children's hearing by virtue of paragraph (d), the time when any one of them began,
- (c) "the rules" means rules under section 177,
- (d) if the children's hearing referred to in subsection (2)(a) was a subsequent children's hearing arranged as a result of an earlier children's hearing deferring making a decision, they are to be regarded as a single children's hearing.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

F4 S. 132A inserted (26.7.2021) by Children (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 16), ss. 25(5), 34(2); S.S.I. 2020/412, reg. 2(2)(c)

# **133** Principal Reporter's duty to initiate review **S**

The Principal Reporter must initiate a review of a compulsory supervision order in relation to a child if—

- (a) the order will expire within 3 months, and
- (b) the order would not otherwise be reviewed before it expires.

## **Commencement Information**

I5 S. 133 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 134 Duty to initiate review if child to be taken out of Scotland S

- (1) This section applies where—
  - (a) a child is subject to a compulsory supervision order,
  - (b) a relevant person in relation to the child proposes to take the child to live outwith Scotland, and
  - (c) the proposal is not in accordance with the order or an order under section 11 of the 1995 Act.
- (2) The relevant person must give notice of the proposal to the Principal Reporter and the implementation authority at least 28 days before the day on which the relevant person proposes to take the child to live outwith Scotland.
- (3) If the Principal Reporter receives notice under subsection (2), the Principal Reporter must initiate a review of the compulsory supervision order.

## **Commencement Information**

I6 S. 134 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 135 Duty to initiate review: secure accommodation authorisation **S**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where a compulsory supervision order includes a secure accommodation authorisation (which has not ceased to have effect by virtue of section 151(5)).
- (2) The Principal Reporter must initiate a review of the order—
  - (a) before the end of the period of 3 months beginning with the day on which the order is made, and
  - (b) if the order is varied or continued, before the end of the period of 3 months beginning with the day on which it is varied or continued.

## **Commencement Information**

I7 S. 135 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# **136** Duty to initiate review where child transferred **S**

The Principal Reporter must initiate a review of a compulsory supervision order in relation to a child where the child is transferred under section 143(2).

# **Commencement Information**

**I8** S. 136 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, **arts. 2**, 3

Functions of Principal Reporter and children's hearing

# 137 Duty to arrange children's hearing **S**

- (1) This section applies where a compulsory supervision order is in force in relation to a child and—
  - (a) a review of the order is required or initiated by virtue of any of-
    - (i) sections 107, 108, 115 and 117 (all as modified by section 118),
    - (ii) sections 116, 125, 129 to 136 and 146, or
  - (b) the child's case is referred to the Principal Reporter under section 96(3) or 106 of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 4).
- (2) The Principal Reporter must arrange a children's hearing to review the compulsory supervision order.
- (3) If the review is initiated under section 136, the children's hearing must be arranged to take place before the expiry of the period of 3 working days beginning with the day on which the child is transferred.

- (4) The Principal Reporter must require the implementation authority to give the Principal Reporter any reports that the authority has prepared in relation to the child and any other information which the authority may wish to give to assist the children's hearing.
- (5) The Principal Reporter may require the implementation authority to give the Principal Reporter a report on—
  - (a) the child generally,
  - (b) any particular matter relating to the child specified by the Principal Reporter.
- (6) The implementation authority may include in a report given to the Principal Reporter under subsection (4) or (5) information given to the authority by another person.

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 S. 137 applied (with modifications) (24.6.2013) by The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Transfer of Children to Scotland - Effect of Orders made in England and Wales or Northern Ireland) Regulations 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/99), regs. 1, 7(4)

#### **Commencement Information**

I9 S. 137 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# **138** Powers of children's hearing on review **S**

- (1) This section applies where a children's hearing is carrying out a review of a compulsory supervision order in relation to a child.
- (2) If the children's hearing considers that it is appropriate to do so, the children's hearing may defer making a decision about the compulsory supervision order until a subsequent children's hearing under this section.
- (3) Otherwise, the children's hearing may—
  - (a) terminate the compulsory supervision order,
  - (b) vary the compulsory supervision order,
  - (c) continue the compulsory supervision order for a period not exceeding one year.
- [<sup>F5</sup>(3A) In deciding whether to exercise the power conferred by subsection (2), the children's hearing must consider whether to require the Principal Reporter to obtain any report, from any person, which the children's hearing considers relevant to any matter to be determined by the subsequent children's hearing.]
  - (4) The children's hearing may vary or continue a compulsory supervision order only if the children's hearing is satisfied that it is necessary to do so for the protection, guidance, treatment or control of the child.
  - $F_{6}(5)$  ....
    - (6) If the children's hearing terminates the compulsory supervision order, the children's hearing must—
      - (a) consider whether supervision or guidance is needed by the child, and
      - (b) if so, make a statement to that effect.

- (7) If the children's hearing states that supervision or guidance is needed by the child, it is the duty of the relevant local authority for the child to give such supervision or guidance as the child will accept.
- (8) Subsection (9) applies where—
  - (a) a child or relevant person in relation to the child is excused under section 73(2), 74(2) or 79 from attending the children's hearing, and
  - (b) the hearing defers its decision until a subsequent children's hearing.
- (9) The children's hearing need not excuse the child or relevant person in relation to the child from attending the subsequent children's hearing.

# **Textual Amendments**

- F5 S. 138(3A) inserted (17.12.2021) by Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019 (asp 7), ss. 77(4), 84(2); S.S.I. 2021/449, reg. 2
- F6 S. 138(5) repealed (24.6.2013) by The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Modification of Primary Legislation) Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/211), art. 1, Sch. 2

## **Commencement Information**

II0 S. 138 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 139 Powers of children's hearing on deferral under section 138 S

- (1) This section applies where under subsection (2) of section 138 a children's hearing defers making a decision about the compulsory supervision order in relation to a child until a subsequent children's hearing under that section.
- (2) The children's hearing may continue the compulsory supervision order until the subsequent children's hearing.
- (3) If the children's hearing considers that the nature of the child's circumstances is such that for the protection, guidance, treatment or control of the child it is necessary as a matter of urgency that the compulsory supervision order be varied, the children's hearing may make an interim variation of the compulsory supervision order.

## **Commencement Information**

III S. 139 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 140 Interim variation of compulsory supervision order **S**

- (1) In this Act, "interim variation", in relation to a compulsory supervision order made in relation to a child, means a variation of the order having effect for the relevant period.
- (2) An interim variation may vary the order so that, instead of specifying a place or places at which the child is to reside under section 83(2)(a), the order specifies that the child is to reside at any place of safety away from the place where the child predominantly resides.
- (3) Section 83(5)(a) does not apply to the varied order.

- (4) In subsection (1), the "relevant period" means the period beginning with the variation of the order and ending with whichever of the following first occurs—
  - (a) the next children's hearing arranged in relation to the child,
  - (b) the disposal by the sheriff of [<sup>F7</sup>an application made by virtue of section 93(2)
    (a) or 94(2)(a)] relating to the child,
  - (c) a day specified in the variation,
  - (d) the expiry of the period of 22 days beginning with the day on which the order is varied.

#### **Textual Amendments**

F7 Words in s. 140(4)(b) substituted (24.6.2013) by The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Modification of Primary Legislation) Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/211), art. 1, Sch. 1 para. 20(13)

## **Commencement Information**

I12 S. 140 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# 141 Preparation of report in circumstances relating to permanence order or adoption **S**

- This section applies where a review of a compulsory supervision order in relation to a child is required under subsection (1) of section 131 in the circumstances mentioned in subsection (2)(c), (d) or (e) of that section.
- (2) On determining the review under section 138(3), the children's hearing must prepare a report providing advice about the circumstances to which the review relates for—
  - (a) the implementation authority, and
  - (b) any court that requires (or may subsequently require) to come to a decision about an application of the type mentioned in section 131(2)(c) or (e).
- (3) The report must be in such form as the Scottish Ministers may determine.
- (4) If an application of the type mentioned in section 131(2)(c) or (e) is (or has been) made, the court must have regard to the report when coming to its decision about the application.

## **Commencement Information**

II3 S. 141 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

Review of relevant person determination

# 142 Review of determination that person be deemed a relevant person **S**

- (1) This section applies where, in relation to a child-
  - (a) a children's hearing determines a review of a compulsory supervision order by varying or continuing the order,
  - (b) an individual is deemed to be a relevant person by virtue of section 81, and

- (c) it appears to the children's hearing that the individual may no longer have (nor recently have had) a significant involvement in the upbringing of the child.
- [<sup>F8</sup>(1A) But this section does not apply where the matter of whether the individual should continue to be deemed to be a relevant person in relation to the child—
  - (a) has been determined by a meeting of a pre-hearing panel held in relation to the children's hearing, or
  - (b) is, by virtue of section 80(3), to be determined by the children's hearing.]
  - (2) The children's hearing must review whether the individual should continue to be deemed to be a relevant person in relation to the child.
  - (3) If the children's hearing considers that it is appropriate to do so, the children's hearing may defer determining the review under subsection (2) until a subsequent children's hearing under this section.
  - (4) Otherwise, if the children's hearing determines that the individual does not have (and has not recently had) a significant involvement in the upbringing of the child then—
    - (a) the children's hearing must direct that the individual is no longer to be deemed to be a relevant person, and
    - (b) section 81(4) ceases to apply in relation to the individual (except in relation to any appeal arising from the determination mentioned in subsection (1)(a)).

## **Textual Amendments**

F8 S. 142(1A) inserted (26.1.2015) by Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 8), s. 102(3),
 Sch. 5 para. 12(7); S.S.I. 2014/353, art. 2(2)(3), Sch.

# **Commencement Information**

II4 S. 142 in force at 24.6.2013 by S.S.I. 2013/195, arts. 2, 3

# **Changes to legislation:**

Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011, Part 13 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 19 September 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

View outstanding changes

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:** Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 17A inserted by 2020 asp 16 s. 6(2)
- s. 25(3) inserted by 2020 asp 16 s. 30(7)
- s. 27(3)-(4A) substituted for s. 27(3)(4) by 2020 asp 16 s. 3(2)
- s. 62(5)(q)-(u) inserted by 2020 asp 9 s. 8(2)(b)
- s. 163(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 163(2) by 2020 asp 16 s. 27(3)(b)
- s. 164(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 164(2) by 2020 asp 16 s. 27(4)(b)
- s. 165(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 165(2) by 2020 asp 16 s. 27(5)(b)