
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force sections 42 and 55 of the Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 (“the 2015 Act”). The provisions are brought into force on 30th September 2016 (article 2).

Article 3 contains transitional provisions. Article 4 contains a saving provision.

Article 3 of the Order makes transitional provisions that have the effect that despite the commencement of section 42 of the 2015 Act, (a) any licensing policy statement already in existence prior to 30th September 2016 shall continue to have effect until a new licensing policy statement is published as per section 6(1) of the 2005 Act, and (b) a Licensing Board may continue to publish a supplementary licensing policy statement to their existing policy statement until a new licensing policy statement is published as aforementioned.

Article 4 of the Order makes a saving provision that has the effect that despite the commencement of section 55 of the 2015 Act the amendments therein shall not apply to the consideration of certain appeals of a determination of refusal of an application made under either sections 23 or 30, where the determination was made prior to 30th September 2016.

The Bill for the 2015 Act received Royal Assent on 4th August 2015. Sections 60(1) and (2), 84, 85, 86, 88 and 89 of the 2015 Act came into force on the following day.