

EXECUTIVE NOTE
THE REGISTER OF SASINES (METHODS OF OPERATION) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2006 (S.S.I. 2006/ 164)

The above instrument was made under powers conferred by section 1 of the Register of Sasines (Scotland) Act 1987. The instrument is subject to negative resolution procedure.

Policy Objectives

The purpose of the instrument is to facilitate a technical change in the medium in which the record volume in the Register of Sasines is compiled from microfiche to digital images. Regulations made under the same power in 1988 permitted the record to be compiled on microfiche. The use of microfiche has been satisfactory but the technology is now obsolescent. After due consideration, the Keeper of the Registers of Scotland and the Keeper of the Records of Scotland are agreed that a change to a digital imaging process is appropriate. The instrument revokes the 1988 Regulations and makes equivalent provisions to regulate compilation by digital imaging.

Consultation

The following bodies have been consulted during the preparation of the instrument in accordance with the requirements of section 2(1) of the Register of Sasines (Scotland) Act 1988: -

Private Search Firms

First Scottish Searching Services Limited
David Kirk Associates
Landownership Scotland
Ross Lornie & Company Limited
Miller and Bryce Limited
Oswalds
SPH (Scotland) Limited
TMG Search Limited

Law Firms

Balfour & Manson
McKay & Norwell
J & R A Robertson
Shepherd & Wedderburn

Legal Representative Bodies

The Law Society of Scotland (Conveyancing Committee)
The Scottish Law Agents Society
The Society of Writers to Her Majesty's Signet

Others

National Archives of Scotland
Scottish Records Advisory Council
Society of Scottish Searchers

Financial Effects

The instrument has no financial effects on the Scottish Executive, local government or on business.

Registers of Scotland Executive Agency
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