

## **EXECUTIVE NOTE**

### **The Sale of Alcohol to Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Regulations 2007 SSI/2007/ 93**

The above instrument was made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 102(4)(c), 108(7)(c), 110(3) and 147(1) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005. The instrument is subject to negative resolution procedure.

#### **Policy Objectives**

The purpose of the instrument is to introduce a nationally accepted proof of age card that will be acceptable under the Act for the purposes of identifying a person's age with regard to the sale and purchase of alcohol. It is proposed that only those cards carrying the official British Retail Consortium's Proof of Age Standards Scheme logo will be accepted. This instrument also sets out the mandatory content for the notice to be displayed, as required under section 110 of the Act on licensed premises at each place where alcohol is sold. The notice sets out the offences relating to the sale and purchase of alcohol by and/or for a person under the age of 18.

#### **Consultation**

The Scottish Executive undertook a public consultation on a draft of these regulations between October and December 2006. Those consulted included all local authorities in Scotland, all Licensing Boards, the key licensed trade associations and a range of other stakeholder groups. In addition to this the Scottish Executive had useful discussions with key stakeholders during the consultation period. Those organisations included:

- The Scottish Licensed Trade Association;
- British Entertainment & Dance Association;
- The Scottish Beer & Pub Association;
- British Institute of Innkeeping;
- Scottish Grocers' Federation;
- Scottish Retail Consortium;
- Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland; and
- The British Hospitality Association.

#### **Financial Effects**

The instrument has no financial effects on the Scottish Executive, or local government. A minimal cost will fall on business, for example, where several notices are required on one premises.

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