
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2010 No. 241

**The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act
2007 (Automatic Listing) (Specified Criteria) Order 2010**

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007;

“relevant circumstances” means the circumstances, if any, included in the description of any offence in Schedules 1, 2, 3 and 4 relating to the commission of that offence;

“similar offence” means any sexual offence which is similar in nature to an offence specified in Schedules 1 to 4 and which—

- (a) was provided for in an enactment which is no longer in force or was an offence at common law which has been abolished by an enactment; and
- (b) was committed by penetrating the victim’s vagina, anus or mouth by any part of the body or with anything else without the victim consenting.

(2) In articles 3 and 4, a reference to an offence specified in one of the Schedules includes a reference to an offence which is a similar offence in relation to an offence specified in that Schedule.