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The Prisons and Young Offenders
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PART 8

COMMUNICATIONS

PRISONERS' CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

Communication by telephone

62.—(1) A prisoner is entitled to the use of a telephone, subject to the provisions of paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) A prisoner's use of a telephone is subject to the provisions of any direction which the Scottish Ministers may make in relation to—

- (a) the groups or categories of prisoners who may have the use of a telephone;
- (b) the times of day and circumstances in which a telephone may be available for use;
- (c) the conditions applicable to the use of such a telephone;
- (d) the logging, monitoring and recording by any means by any person authorised by the Governor of telephone calls made by a prisoner.

(3) An officer may refuse to allow a prisoner to have the use of a telephone or restrict a prisoner's use of a telephone—

- (a) by virtue of the provisions of any direction as mentioned in paragraph (2); or
- (b) in accordance with rule 60.

(4) Where an officer refuses or restricts a prisoner's use of a telephone in terms of paragraph (3), the officer must inform the prisoner of the reasons for that decision and, where a request is made by the prisoner, such reasons must be given in writing.