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**The Prisons and Young Offenders
Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2011**

PART 8

COMMUNICATIONS

PRISON VISITS

Visits by persons in connection with disciplinary proceedings

76.—(1) This rule applies to visits to a prisoner by a person where—

- (a) the prisoner has been charged with a breach of discipline;
- (b) the prisoner wishes to call, or is considering whether to call, that person as a witness at the inquiry into the charge; and
- (c) the Governor holding the inquiry has agreed that the prisoner should have the opportunity to discuss with that person whether he or she could give evidence which would be relevant to the defence to the charge.

(2) A prisoner to whom this rule applies is allowed to receive a visit at any reasonable time from a person for the purpose of discussing whether that person could give evidence which would be relevant to the prisoner's defence to the charge.

(3) The number of persons who may be allowed to visit a prisoner at any time is at the discretion of the Governor.

(4) Where a prisoner receives a visit in terms of this rule, it must take place—

- (a) within the sight of an officer;
- (b) outwith the hearing of an officer except where the Governor otherwise directs or the visitor or prisoner otherwise requests; and
- (c) under such conditions as the Governor may specify.