

**2013 No. 159 (C. 11)**

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

**The Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011  
(Commencement No. 1) Order 2013**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>21st May 2013</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>	<i>23rd May 2013</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>8th June 2013</i>

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 32(3) and (4)(b) of the Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011(a).

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011 (Commencement No. 1) Order 2013 and comes into force on 8th June 2013.

(2) In this Order, “the Act” means the Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011.

**Appointed day**

**2.** The day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the Act specified in column 1 of the Schedule (the subject matter of which is described in column 2 of the Schedule) is 8th June 2013, but where a purpose is specified in column 3 of the Schedule in relation to a provision, that provision comes into force on 8th June 2013 for that purpose only.

*MICHAEL MATHESON*

Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew’s House,  
Edinburgh  
21st May 2013

## SCHEDULE

Article 2

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Provisions of the Act</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Subject Matter</i>	<i>Column 3</i> <i>Purpose</i>
Section 1(1)	Medical reviewers	Only for the purpose of allowing medical reviewers to exercise functions under sections 20 and 21 of the Act.
Section 1(2)	Medical reviewers	Only for the purpose of allowing senior medical reviewers to exercise functions under sections 20 and 21 of the Act.
Section 1(3) and schedule 1	Medical reviewers	
Section 20	Training and information functions	
Section 21	Duty to co-operate	Only for the purposes of section 20 of the Act.
Section 22	Guidance	Only for the purposes of section 20 of the Act.
Section 26	Certifying medical practitioner to provide additional information	
Section 27	Still-birth declarations	
Section 31	Interpretation	

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force on 8th June 2013, sections 1(3), 20, 26, 27 and 31 of, and schedule 1 to, the Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011 (“the Act”) for all purposes, and section 1(1) and (2) for the limited purpose of enabling medical reviewers, and the senior medical reviewer, to exercise functions under sections 20 and 21 of the Act. Sections 21 and 22 are also commenced for the purposes of section 20 only.

The Act received Royal Assent on 20th April 2011. Sections 28, 29 and 32 came into force the following day.

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