

SCHEDULE

The Upper Tribunal for Scotland Rules of Procedure 2016

PART 4

General Powers and Provisions

Supporters

- 14.**—(1) A party who is an individual may be accompanied by another person to act as a supporter.
- (2) A supporter may assist the party by—
- (a) providing moral support;
 - (b) helping to manage tribunal documents and other papers;
 - (c) taking notes of the proceedings;
 - (d) quietly advising on—
 - (i) points of law and procedure;
 - (ii) issues which the party might wish to raise with the tribunal.
- (3) The party may show any document or communicate any information about the proceedings to that party's supporter without contravening any prohibition or restriction on disclosure of the document or information.
- (4) Where a document or information is disclosed under paragraph (3), the supporter is subject to any prohibition or restriction on disclosure in the same way that the party is.
- (5) A supporter may not represent the party.
- (6) The Upper Tribunal may order that a person is not to act as a supporter of a party if—
- (a) it is of the opinion that the supporter is an unsuitable person to act as a supporter (whether generally or in the proceedings concerned); or
 - (b) it is satisfied that to do so would be in the interests of the efficient administration of justice.