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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 410**

**The Offensive Weapons Act 2019 (Commencement  
No. 1) (Scotland) Regulations 2020**

**Appointed day**

**2.** 1 January 2021 is the appointed day for the coming into force of the following provisions of the 2019 Act—

- (a) section 5 (presumptions in proceedings in Scotland for offence under section 1, 3 or 4),
- (b) section 7 (presumptions in proceedings in Scotland for offence under section 6),
- (c) section 11 (search for corrosive substances: Scotland),
- (d) section 13(5) (certificates as to proof of certain routine matters),
- (e) section 34(1) (sale etc of bladed articles to persons under 18),
- (f) section 36 (defence to sale etc of bladed articles to persons under 18; Scotland),
- (g) section 46(15) (prohibition on the possession of offensive weapons: order making power for surrender of weapons), and
- (h) section 66 (guidance on offences relating to offensive weapons etc), so far as it confers functions on the Scottish Ministers (guidance on offences relating to offensive weapons etc).