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**PRISONS**

**The Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Coronavirus)  
(Scotland) Amendment Rules 2021**

*Made* - - - - - *17th February 2021*

*Laid before the Scottish Parliament* *19th February 2021*

*Coming into force* - - - *30th March 2021*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Rules in exercise of the powers conferred by section 39 of the Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2021 and come into force on 30 March 2021.

**Amendment of the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2011**

2. In rule 2(1) (interpretation) of the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2011(b) in the definition of “for the duration of the coronavirus outbreak” for “31 March 2021” substitute “30 September 2021”.

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Edinburgh  
17th February 2021

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(a) 1989 c.45; section 39 was amended by the Prisoners and Criminal Proceedings (Scotland) Act 1993 (c.9), sections 24 and 25, schedule 5, paragraph 6(6)(b) and schedule 7, paragraph 1; the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c.33), section 116(4); the Criminal Procedure (Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1995 (c.40), schedule 4, paragraph 75(4)(a); the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (c.37), schedule 8, paragraph 71 and schedule 10, paragraph 1; and the Management of Offenders (Scotland) Act 2019 (asp 14), section 55(2). The functions of the Secretary of State, insofar as exercisable within devolved competence, were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46), section 53.

(b) S.S.I. 2011/331; as amended by S.S.I. 2011/356, S.S.I. 2012/26, S.S.I. 2013/119, S.S.I. 2014/26, S.S.I. 2015/39, S.S.I. 2016/131, S.S.I. 2017/393, S.S.I. 2018/293, S.S.I. 2020/122, S.S.I. 2020/175 and S.S.I. 2020/264.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Rules amend the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2011 (“the Prison Rules”) in response to the coronavirus outbreak.

Rule 2(1) of the Prison Rules is amended to extend the definition of “for the duration of the coronavirus outbreak” to mean the time period starting with the commencement of the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2020(a) and continuing until 30 September 2021.

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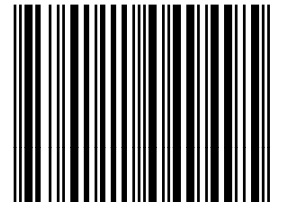
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