



# Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990

## 1990 CHAPTER 40

### PART II

#### LEGAL SERVICES

##### *Multi-national practices*

### 32 Multi-national practices.

Before section 61 of the 1980 Act there shall be inserted the following section—

**“60A Multi-national practices.**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, solicitors and incorporated practices may enter into multi-national practices with registered foreign lawyers.
- (2) The Council shall maintain a register of foreign lawyers, and may make rules with regard to registration; and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, such rules may include provision as to—
  - (a) the manner in which applications for registration are to be made;
  - (b) the fees payable in respect of such applications;
  - (c) conditions which may be imposed in respect of registration; and
  - (d) the period for which any such registration is to run.
- (3) Section 34(2) and (3) apply to rules made under subsection (2) as they apply to rules made under that section.
- (4) Any foreign lawyer may apply to the Council to be registered as such for the purposes of this section and the Council shall, if they are satisfied that the legal profession of which the applicant is a member is so regulated as to make it

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appropriate for him to be allowed to enter into a multi-national practice with solicitors or incorporated practices, enter his name on the register.

- (5) Subject to subsection (6), the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument provide that any enactment or instrument—
- (a) passed or made before the commencement of this section;
  - (b) having effect in relation to solicitors; and
  - (c) specified in the order,
- shall have effect with respect to registered foreign lawyers as it has effect with respect to solicitors.
- (6) Before making any order under subsection (5), the Secretary of State shall consult the Council.
- (7) An order under subsection (5) may provide for an enactment or instrument to have effect with respect to registered foreign lawyers subject to such additions, omissions or other modifications as the Secretary of State specifies in the order.
- (8) No order shall be made under subsection (5) unless a draft of the order has been approved by both Houses of Parliament.”

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#### Commencement Information

- I1** S. 32 partly in force; s. 32 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 75(2); s. 32 in force for certain purposes at 17.3.1993 by S.I. 1993/641, art. 3, Sch.
- I2** S. 32 in force at 1.10.2004 in so far as not already in force by S.S.I. 2004/382, art. 2

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 21A(1)(c) words substituted by [2007 asp 5 Sch. 5 para. 3\(7\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- s. 33(6) inserted by [2007 asp 5 Sch. 5 para. 3\(11\)](#)