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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 714 (S.57)

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS

**The Reporters (Conduct of Proceedings before
the Sheriff) (Scotland) Regulations 1997**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>7th March 1997</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>11th March 1997</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1997</i>

The Secretary of State and the Lord Advocate, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 40(4) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995⁽¹⁾ and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Reporters (Conduct of Proceedings before the Sheriff) (Scotland) Regulations 1997 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1997.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations, unless the content otherwise requires—
“the Act” means the Children (Scotland) Act 1995; and
“reporter” means for any period prior to 1st April 1997 a person holding an appointment under section 36 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968⁽²⁾

Power to conduct proceedings before the sheriff

3. Any reporter having the experience prescribed in regulation 4 of these Regulations shall be entitled, whether or not he is an advocate or a solicitor, to conduct before a sheriff any proceedings which under Chapters 2 or 3 of Part II of the Act are heard by the sheriff.

(1) 1995 c. 36.
(2) 1968 c. 49.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Prescription of experience required

4. For the purposes of regulation 3 of these regulations the experience prescribed shall be the experience of having been a reporter for any period or periods amounting to not less than one year.

7th March 1997

Mackay of Drumadoon
Lord Advocate

St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
7th March 1997

James Douglas-Hamilton
Minister of State, Scottish Office

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations empower reporters who have a minimum of one year's experience, to conduct before the sheriff proceedings relating to applications and appeals under Chapters 2 and 3 of Part II of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995. Proceedings before the sheriff includes proceedings before the sheriff principal (see Interpretation Act 1978, Sch.1).