
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2010 No. 2870

**The Marine (Scotland) Act 2010
(Consequential Provisions) Order 2010**

Marine protected areas

- 4.—(1) The Secretary of State may give a direction in respect of any MPA.
- (2) The Secretary of State must publish a direction under paragraph (1) in a way calculated to bring the direction to the attention of persons likely to be interested in or affected by it.
- (3) A direction under paragraph (1)—
- (a) may be withdrawn at any time; and
 - (b) ceases to have effect if the area in respect of which it is made ceases to be an MPA.
- (4) While a direction under paragraph (1) continues in effect in respect of an MPA, sections 82, 83 and (as the case may be) 84 of the 2010 Act apply in relation to any function of a public authority which, but for the fact that it is a reserved function, would otherwise be subject to the section concerned.
- (5) Where paragraph (4) applies, advice and guidance may be given to a public authority under sections 80 and 81 of the 2010 Act.