



Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 2005 asp 15

PART 1

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR PLANS AND PROGRAMMES

1 Requirement for environmental assessment

- (1) The responsible authority shall—
- (a) during the preparation of a qualifying plan or programme, secure the carrying out of an environmental assessment in relation to the plan or programme; and
 - (b) do so—
 - (i) where the plan or programme is to be submitted to a legislative procedure for the purposes of its adoption, before its submission; or
 - (ii) in any other case, before its adoption.
- (2) In this Act, an environmental assessment is—
- (a) the preparation of an environmental report;
 - (b) the carrying out of consultations; and
 - (c) the taking into account of the environmental report and the result of the consultations in decision-making,
- in accordance with Part 2 of this Act.