



# Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

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### PART 2

#### FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

### CHAPTER 5

#### POWERS OF EMPLOYEES AND CONSTABLES

##### *Powers in emergencies*

## 26 Powers of constables in relation to fires

- (1) A constable may—
- (a) if the constable reasonably believes that a fire has broken out, do anything the constable reasonably believes to be necessary for the purpose of—
    - (i) extinguishing the fire; or
    - (ii) protecting life or property; and
  - (b) do anything the constable reasonably believes to be necessary for the purpose of preventing or limiting damage to property resulting from anything done as mentioned in paragraph (a).
- (2) A constable may in particular under subsection (1)—
- (a) enter (by force if necessary) premises or a place;
  - (b) move a vehicle without the consent of its owner;
  - (c) force open and enter a lockfast vehicle;
  - (d) restrict the access of persons to premises or a place.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005, Section 26.