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.