



# Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Act 2007

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## PART 2

### CONFINEMENT AND RELEASE OF PRISONERS

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PROSPECTIVE

#### *Compassionate release on licence*

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- (1) Where the Scottish Ministers are satisfied that there are compassionate grounds justifying the release on licence of a prisoner, the Scottish Ministers may release the prisoner on licence.
- (2) Before releasing a custody and community prisoner or a life prisoner under subsection (1) the Scottish Ministers must consult the Parole Board.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers need not consult the Parole Board if it is impracticable to do so.

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1 Pt. 2 power to modify conferred (24.9.2012) by [Criminal Cases \(Punishment and Review\) \(Scotland\) Act 2012 \(asp 7\)](#), ss. **2(2)**, 5(2); S.S.I. 2012/249, art. 2

**Status:**

This version of this cross heading contains provisions that are prospective.

**Changes to legislation:**

Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Act 2007, Cross Heading: Compassionate release on licence is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 29A inserted by [2010 asp 13 s. 18\(6\)](#)
- s. 42A inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 6](#)
- s. 45(1)(za)(zb) inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 7\(2\)](#)
- s. 46A inserted by [2010 asp 13 s. 18\(7\)](#)
- s. 47(3A) inserted by [2010 asp 13 s. 18\(8\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 47(8)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2010 asp 13 s. 18\(8\)\(e\)](#)
- s. 51(1A) inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 9\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(4) added by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 13\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 7(1A) inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 13\(8\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 2A inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 14\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 3(3) inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 14\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 3A inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 14\(5\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 5(4A) inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 14\(6\)\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 5(6) inserted by [2010 asp 13 Sch. 3 para. 14\(6\)\(e\)](#)