

# Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008 2008 asp 5

#### PART 4

#### PUBLIC HEALTH FUNCTIONS OF HEALTH BOARDS

#### Quarantine

#### **40 Ouarantine orders**

- (1) The sheriff may, if satisfied as to the matters mentioned in subsection (2), make a quarantine order—
  - (a) authorising—
    - (i) the quarantining of the person;
    - (ii) where the person is not in the place in which that person is to be quarantined, the removal of the person to that place; and
    - (iii) the taking in relation to the person of such of the steps mentioned in section 46(2) (if any) as the sheriff considers appropriate; and
  - (b) imposing such conditions (if any) in relation to the quarantine as the sheriff considers appropriate.
- (2) The matters referred to in subsection (1) are—
  - (a) that it is known, or there are reasonable grounds to suspect, that the person—
    - (i) has an infectious disease;
    - (ii) has been exposed to an organism which causes such a disease;
    - (iii) is contaminated; or
    - (iv) has been exposed to a contaminant;
  - (b) that as a result—
    - (i) there is or may be a significant risk to public health; and
    - (ii) it is necessary, to avoid or minimise that risk, for the person to be quarantined; and
  - (c) that—
    - (i) before the application under section 39(2) was made, the health board gave an explanation under section 31(3) or (5); or

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- (ii) where no such explanation was given, it was not reasonably practicable to do so.
- (3) A quarantine order has effect—
  - (a) from the time at which it is made;
  - (b) for such period, not exceeding 3 weeks beginning with the day on which the order is made, as the sheriff considers appropriate.
- (4) A person may be removed to a place in which the person is to be quarantined by—
  - (a) a constable;
  - (b) an officer of the health board;
  - (c) an officer of a local authority; or
  - (d) any other person the sheriff considers appropriate.
- (5) Conditions imposed by a quarantine order may include—
  - (a) conditions relating to—
    - (i) the persons who may have access to the place in which a person is quarantined; and
    - (ii) the purposes for which such persons may have access;
  - (b) conditions relating to—
    - (i) the persons who may have access to the quarantined person; and
    - (ii) the purposes for which such persons may have access;
  - (c) conditions relating to the welfare of the quarantined person.
- (6) A quarantine order must—
  - (a) specify—
    - (i) the person to whom the order applies;
    - (ii) the place in which the person is to be quarantined;
    - (iii) the period for which the person is to be quarantined;
    - (iv) the steps mentioned in section 46(2) (if any) which may be taken in relation to the quarantined person; and
    - (v) any conditions imposed; and
  - (b) be notified to—
    - (i) the person to whom it applies;
    - (ii) any person to whom an explanation was given under section 31(5); and
    - (iii) any other person the sheriff considers appropriate.

### **Commencement Information**

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