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SCHEDULE 1 SCOTTISH ARBITRATION RULES

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1949 c. 39, s. 8(2) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 1](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1949 c. 87, s. 67(4) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 2](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1961 c. 34, s. 171 (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 3](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1962 c. 46, s. 74(6)(f) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 4\(2\)](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1962 c. 46, s. 81(7) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 4\(3\)](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1962 c. 46, Sch. 7 para. 17(5) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 4\(4\)](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1977 c. 37, s. 130(8) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 5](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1992 c. 52, s. 212(5) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 6\(2\)](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1992 c. 52, s. 263(6) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 6\(3\)](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded by 1996 c. 17, s. 6(2) (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 7](#))
- C1 Sch. 1: power to exclude or restrict conferred by 2007 c. 15, Sch. 5 para. 14 (as amended (5.6.2010) by [The Arbitration \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2010 \(S.S.I. 2010/220\)](#), art. 1, [sch. para. 8](#))
- C1 Sch. 1 excluded (17.8.2023) by [The Police Negotiating Board for Scotland \(Constitution, Arbitration and Qualifying Cases\) Regulations 2023 \(S.S.I. 2023/199\)](#), regs. 1(1), [3](#)

PART 3

GENERAL DUTIES

Rule 26 Confidentiality D

- 26 (1) Disclosure by the tribunal, any arbitrator or a party of confidential information relating to the arbitration is to be actionable as a breach of an obligation of confidence unless the disclosure—
- (a) is authorised, expressly or impliedly, by the parties (or can reasonably be considered as having been so authorised),
 - (b) is required by the tribunal or is otherwise made to assist or enable the tribunal to conduct the arbitration,
 - (c) is required—
 - (i) in order to comply with any enactment or rule of law,
 - (ii) for the proper performance of the discloser's public functions, or
 - (iii) in order to enable any public body or office-holder to perform public functions properly,

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- (d) can reasonably be considered as being needed to protect a party's lawful interests,
 - (e) is in the public interest,
 - (f) is necessary in the interests of justice, or
 - (g) is made in circumstances in which the discloser would have absolute privilege had the disclosed information been defamatory.
- (2) The tribunal and the parties must take reasonable steps to prevent unauthorised disclosure of confidential information by any third party involved in the conduct of the arbitration.
- (3) The tribunal must, at the outset of the arbitration, inform the parties of the obligations which this rule imposes on them.
- (4) “Confidential information”, in relation to an arbitration, means any information relating to—
- (a) the dispute,
 - (b) the arbitral proceedings,
 - (c) the award, or
 - (d) any civil proceedings relating to the arbitration in respect of which an order has been granted under section 15 of this Act,
- which is not, and has never been, in the public domain.

Commencement Information

II Sch. 1 rule 26 in force at 7.6.2010 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2010/195](#), art. 2 (with arts. 3, 4)

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

- Act applied (with modifications) (temp.) by [2014 c. 1 s. 16\(4\)](#)
- Act power to amend conferred by [2014 c. 1 s. 16\(5\)](#)