



Housing (Scotland) Act 2014

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PART 4

LETTING AGENTS

Monitoring of compliance

53 Power to carry out inspections

- (1) For the purpose of monitoring compliance with the provisions of this Part, an authorised person may carry out an inspection of premises which appear to be being used for the purpose of carrying out letting agency work.
- (2) For the purposes of carrying out the inspection, the authorised person may—
 - (a) enter and inspect the premises,
 - (b) require the production of any book, document, data or record (in whatever form it is held) and inspect it, and take copies of or extracts from it,
 - (c) take possession of any book, document, data or record (in whatever form it is held) which is on the premises and retain it for as long as the authorised person considers necessary,
 - (d) require any person to—
 - (i) give the authorised person such information as the authorised person considers necessary,
 - (ii) afford the authorised person such facilities and assistance as the authorised person considers necessary.
- (3) Nothing in this section authorises the authorised person to require the disclosure of any information if such disclosure would make the person holding it susceptible under any enactment or rule of law to any sanction or other remedy.
- (4) In this section—
 - “authorised person” means a person authorised by the Scottish Ministers,
 - “premises” includes any place and any vehicle, vessel, or moveable structure.

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Commencement Information

II [S. 53](#) in force at 31.1.2018 by [S.S.I. 2016/412](#), art. 2, [sch.](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.S.I. 2016/412, art. 3(1) (a) by [S.S.I. 2017/330 art. 2](#)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SSI 2015/272 Sch. by [S.S.I. 2015/349 art. 2\(2\)](#)