



# Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

## 2014 asp 3

### PART 3

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

#### CHAPTER 1

#### REGULATIONS FOR PROTECTING AND IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

#### 16 General purpose: protecting and improving the environment

- (1) The purpose of this Chapter is to enable provision to be made for or in connection with protecting and improving the environment, including (without prejudice to that generality)—
- (a) regulating environmental activities,
  - [<sup>F1</sup>(b) implementing—
    - (i) the relevant EU instruments, or
    - (ii) any international obligations relating to protecting and improving the environment.]
- (2) In [<sup>F2</sup>subsection (1)—
- “the relevant EU instruments” has the same meaning as in paragraph 22(2) of schedule 2, and]
  - “international obligations” means any international obligations of the United Kingdom<sup>F3</sup>....

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 16(1)(b) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.S.I. 2019/436), regs. 1, [2\(2\)\(a\)](#); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F2** Words in s. 16(2) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.S.I. 2019/436), regs. 1, [2\(2\)\(b\)\(i\)](#); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F3** Words in s. 16(2) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.S.I. 2019/436), regs. 1, [2\(2\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the  
Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, Section 16. (See end of Document for details)

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#### Commencement Information

**II** S. 16 in force at 30.6.2014 by [S.S.I. 2014/160](#), art. 2(1)(2), [Sch.](#)

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