

## Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015

## PART 2

## ALCOHOL LICENSING

Statements of licensing policy

## 42 Statements of licensing policy: licensing policy periods

In section 6 of the 2005 Act (statements of licensing policy)—

- (a) in subsection (1), for "3 year period" substitute "licensing policy period",
- (b) in subsection (2), for "3 year period" substitute "licensing policy period",
- (c) after subsection (3) insert—
  - "(3ZA) A Licensing Board may, in preparing a licensing policy statement, decide that the licensing policy period to which the statement relates is to begin on a date earlier than it otherwise would under subsection (7).
    - (3ZB) Where a Licensing Board make a decision under subsection (3ZA) they must, when publishing the licensing policy statement under subsection (6), publicise the date on which they have decided the licensing policy period is to begin.",
- (d) in subsection (4), for "3 year period" substitute "licensing policy period",
- (e) for subsection (7) substitute—
  - "(7) Subject to subsection (3ZA), in this section, "licensing policy period" means the period between each relevant date.
  - (8) For the purposes of subsection (7), "relevant date" means the date occurring 18 months after an ordinary election of councillors for local government areas takes place under section 5 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994.".