

FORESTRY AND LAND MANAGEMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2018

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 3 - Management of land by Scottish Ministers

Section 14 – Forestry information

21. **Section 14** introduces a duty on the Scottish Ministers to publish information on forestry. Subsections (1) and (2) provide that information on forest holdings in Scotland that do not fall within the meaning of forested land at section 12 must be gathered and published by the Scottish Ministers in such a manner as they consider appropriate, and that the information must include in particular information on the area and proprietorship of the forest holdings. Subsection (5) sets timescales for the publication of information under section 14.
22. Subsections (3) and (4) enable the Scottish Ministers to make regulations to make further provision about the information to be gathered for the purposes of section 14, and provide that the regulations may make provision about the form of information to be gathered. Section 76(1)(a) provides that regulations under section 14(3) are subject to negative procedure.