## FORESTRY AND LAND MANAGEMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2018

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

THE ACT

Part 4 - Felling

Sections 45 to 67 - Compliance

## Powers of entry and step-in power: application to court

- 83. Section 60 provides that, in connection with the exercise of powers under sections 45, 51, 52, 53 and 59 the Scottish Ministers may apply to the sheriff, a summary sheriff or a justice of the peace for a warrant to enter the land concerned and, if necessary, to use reasonable force in doing so.
- 84. Subsection (3) provides that a warrant may only be granted if the sheriff, summary sheriff or justice of the peace is satisfied, by evidence on oath, that the conditions specified in that subsection are met. Subsection (4) provides that a warrant may not authorise entry to Crown land, entry to a dwelling or the use of force against an individual. Subsection (5) makes provision about expiry of warrants.