

SCHEDULE 1  
SCOTTISH COMMISSION ON SOCIAL SECURITY

**PART 1**

OPERATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION

**CHAPTER 2**

POWERS

*General powers*

- 3 The Commission may do anything which appears to it—
- (a) to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of, or in connection with, the performance of its functions, or
  - (b) to be otherwise conducive to the performance of its functions.

*Access to information*

- 4 (1) The Commission—
- (a) has a right of access at reasonable times to any relevant information that it may reasonably require for the purpose of performing its functions, and
  - (b) may require any person who holds or is accountable for relevant information to provide at reasonable times any assistance or explanation that the Commission may reasonably require for the purpose of—
    - (i) performing its functions, or
    - (ii) exercising the right conferred by paragraph (a).
- (2) In sub-paragraph (1), “relevant information” means information in the possession or under the control of—
- (a) any member of the Scottish Government,
  - (b) a local authority,
  - (c) any person, or person of such description, as is specified by the Scottish Ministers in regulations.
- (3) Sub-paragraph (1) is subject to any enactment or rule of law that prohibits or restricts—
- (a) the disclosure of any information, or
  - (b) the giving of any assistance or explanation.