



# Children (Scotland) Act 2020

## 2020 asp 16

### *Register for child welfare reporters*

#### **9 Establishment of register S**

- (1) The Children (Scotland) Act 1995 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 101 insert—

#### **“101A Register for child welfare reporters**

- (1) A court may only appoint as a child welfare reporter a person who is included on the register maintained in accordance with subsection (2).
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must establish and maintain a register of persons who may be appointed to act as a child welfare reporter.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for or in connection with—
  - (a) the requirements that a person must satisfy in order to be included, and remain, on the register (including requirements as to training and qualifications),
  - (b) the processes for including a person on, and removing a person from, the register (including appeal rights),
  - (c) the process for how, and by whom, a registered person is to be selected as the appointed child welfare reporter in a case,
  - (d) the remuneration by the Scottish Ministers of child welfare reporters, including expenses and outlays,
  - (e) the operation and management of the register.
- (4) Before making, revising or revoking regulations under subsection (3), the Scottish Ministers must consult persons with lived experience of—
  - (a) domestic abuse,
  - (b) court-ordered contact.
- (5) Regulations under subsection (3) are subject to the negative procedure.”.

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**Commencement Information**

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