

These notes relate to the Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Act 2022 (asp 9) which received Royal Assent on 10 August 2022

FIREWORKS AND PYROTECHNIC ARTICLES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Overview

Schedule 2—Investigatory powers of a local weights and measures authority (Trading Standards)

Power to purchase fireworks (test purchases)

135. [Paragraph 2](#) of schedule 2 enables Trading Standards officers to carry out test purchases from suppliers of fireworks and pyrotechnic articles in order to ascertain if offences are being committed. To do so, Trading Standards officers can enter any premises which are generally open to the public, inspect products and make purchases. They may also have persons who do not have a fireworks licence attempt to carry out a purchase¹ in order to see if the seller commits an offence.

¹ Paragraph 2 of schedule 1 provides that an unlicensed person acting under the direction of Trading Standards does not commit an offence in these circumstances.