

## Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

## PART 2

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

## **CHAPTER 6**

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE ETC.

Assistance in discharge of functions

## 33 Reinforcement schemes

- (1) Each relevant authority shall, so far as practicable, enter into a reinforcement scheme with other relevant authorities.
- (2) A reinforcement scheme is a scheme for securing mutual assistance as between the relevant authorities participating in it for the purpose of carrying out the functions conferred by virtue of sections 9 to 11 on any of them.
- (3) A reinforcement scheme may make provision for apportioning between the participating authorities any expenses incurred in taking measures to secure the efficient operation of the scheme.
- (4) The participating authorities shall notify the Scottish Ministers of—
  - (a) the making of the scheme;
  - (b) any variation of the scheme; and
  - (c) the revocation of the scheme.
- (5) The participating authorities shall give effect to the scheme.