

# Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008 2008 asp 5

#### PART 1

#### PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Local authorities

### 5 Designation of competent persons by local authorities

- (1) Each local authority must designate a sufficient number of persons for the purpose of exercising, on behalf of the authority, the functions relating to protection of public health mentioned in subsection (3).
- (2) A person designated under subsection (1) is a "local authority competent person".
- (3) The functions referred to in subsection (1) are—
  - (a) the functions conferred on a local authority competent person by virtue of this Act; and
  - (b) any functions conferred on such a competent person by virtue of any other enactment.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may prescribe—
  - (a) the persons or classes of person who may be designated as local authority competent persons;
  - (b) the qualifications which such persons must have;
  - (c) the training which such persons must have undertaken;
  - (d) such other requirements as to competency which such persons must meet as Ministers consider appropriate; and
  - (e) such other matters relating to the terms and conditions of the designation of persons as competent persons as Ministers consider appropriate.
- (5) Regulations under subsection (4) may provide that such functions of local authority competent persons as are prescribed may be exercised only by competent persons who—
  - (a) have such qualifications;
  - (b) have undertaken such training; or

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(c) meet such other requirements as to competency, as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate in relation to those functions.

#### **Commencement Information**

- I1 S. 5 in force at 1.4.2009 for specified purposes by S.S.I. 2009/9, art. 2(b), Sch. 2
- I2 S. 5 in force at 1.10.2009 in so far as not already in force by S.S.I. 2009/319, art. 2(a), Sch. 1

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