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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 403 (C. 30)**

**EQUALITY**

**The Equality Act 2010 (Commencement  
No. 13) (Scotland) Order 2017**

*Made* - - - - *21st November 2017*

*Coming into force* - - *1st April 2018*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 207(4)(b) and 216(4) of the Equality Act 2010(1).

**Citation and commencement**

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Equality Act 2010 (Commencement No. 13) (Scotland) Order 2017 and comes into force on 1st April 2018.

**Commencement of Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010**

**2.—(1)** The following provisions of Part 1 (socio-economic inequalities) of the Equality Act 2010(2) come into force on 1st April 2018—

- (a) in section 1 (public sector duty regarding socio-economic inequalities), subsections (1) to (3) and (6);
- (b) section 2 (power to amend section 1), so far as it confers a power on the Scottish Ministers; and
- (c) section 3 (enforcement).

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, section 1(3) is commenced as originally enacted.

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
21st November 2017

*ANGELA CONSTANCE*  
A member of the Scottish Government

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(1) [2010 c.15](#). Section 216(4) was inserted by section 38(9) of the Scotland Act [2016 \(c.11\)](#).  
(2) Sections 1 and 2 of the Equality Act 2010 are amended by section 38 of the Scotland Act 2016. Section 1 will also be relevantly amended by S.S.I. 2018/xxx. There are other amendments to section 1 that are not yet in force and not relevant to this Order.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order commences provisions in Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010, which imposes duties on specified authorities in relation to socio-economic inequalities, on 1st April 2018. The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 8th April 2010. Section 186(2) and Part 16 (except sections 202, 206 and 211) came into force on the day on which the Act was passed.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Sections 4 and 5	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 6(5) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 6(6) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 6 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 7 to 13	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 15 to 21	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 22 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 22 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 23 to 27	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 28 to 31 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 28 to 31 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Section 31(9) (in so far as not already in force)	1st September 2012	<a href="#">2012/2184</a>
Sections 32 to 35	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 36(1)(a) to (c), (2) to (4), (7) and (8)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 37	11th July 2011	<a href="#">2011/1636</a>
Section 38(1) to (7) and (9)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 38(8) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 38(8) (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 39 to 60	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 61(8) and (9) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 61 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 62 to 77	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>

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Section 78	22nd August 2016	<a href="#">2016/839</a>
Section 79	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 80(8) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 80 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 81(partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 81 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 82 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 82 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 83(11) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 83 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 84 to 93	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 94(12) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 94 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 95	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 96(9)(b) (partially)	3rd September 2010	<a href="#">2010/2191</a>
Section 96(10) and (11) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 96 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 97 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 97 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 98 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 98 (in so far as not already in force)	1st September 2012	<a href="#">2012/2184</a>
Section 99	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 100 to 105 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 100 to 105 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Section 107 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 107 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Sections 108 to 115	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 116(1)(a) and (b) and (2)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 116 (1)(c) (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 116(1)(c) (in so far as not already in force)	18th March 2011	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 116(3) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 116(3) (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 116(3) (in so far as not already in force)	18th March 2011	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>

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Section 117(1) to (4) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 117 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 118 to 135	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 136(1) to (6)(a) to (e)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 136 (6)(f)	18th March 2011	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 137	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 138(1) and (2) and (5) to (7) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 138 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 139 to 146	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 147(4) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 147 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 148	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 149	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Section 150 (partially)	18th January 2011	<a href="#">2011/96</a>
Section 150 (in so far as not already in force)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Section 151 to 155	18th January 2011	<a href="#">2011/96</a>
Section 156	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Section 157	18th January 2011	<a href="#">2011/96</a>
Section 158	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 159 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 159 (in so far as not already in force)	6th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/96</a>
Section 161 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 165 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 165 (in so far as not already in force)	6th April 2017	<a href="#">2017/107</a>
Section 166	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 167(1) to (5) and (7) (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 167(6)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 167 (in so far as not already in force)	6th April 2017	<a href="#">2017/107</a>
Sections 168 to 185	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 187 and 188	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 189 (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 189 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 190	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>

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Section 191 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 192 to 195	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Sections 196 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 197	19th June 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Section 202(1) (partially)	11th July 2011	<a href="#">2011/1636</a>
Section 202(3)	11th July 2011	<a href="#">2011/1636</a>
Section 202(4) (partially)	11th July 2011	<a href="#">2011/1636</a>
Section 202 (in so far as not already in force)	5th December 2011	<a href="#">2011/2646</a>
Section 206	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 211(1) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Section 211(1) (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Section 211(1) (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 211(1) (partially)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Section 211(2) (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Section 211(2) (partially)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 1, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15 and 16 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 1 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedules 2 and 3 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 2 (in so far as not already in force)	1st September 2012	<a href="#">2012/2184</a>
Schedule 3 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Schedule 4, paragraphs 1 to 4	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 4, paragraph 8 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 4, paragraph 9 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 4, paragraph 9 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedules 5 and 6	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 7, paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 7 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 8	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 9, paragraph 16 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 9 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedules 10 and 11	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 12, paragraph 5 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>

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Schedule 12 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 13 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 13 (in so far as not already in force)	1st September 2012	<a href="#">2012/2184</a>
Schedules 14 and 15	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 16 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 16 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Schedule 17, paragraphs 1 and 6(1) to (7) (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 17, paragraphs 1 and 6(1) to (7) (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 17, paragraphs 2 to 5	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 17, paragraph 6(8) and (9)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 17, paragraphs 7 to 12 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 17, paragraphs 7 to 12 (in so far as not already in force)	18th March 2011	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 17, paragraphs 13 and 14	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 18	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 19	18th January 2011	<a href="#">2011/96</a>
Schedule 21, paragraph 6 (partially)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 21 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedules 22 and 23 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedules 22 and 23 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2012	<a href="#">2012/1569</a>
Schedule 25	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 1 to 8	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 9 to 12	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 13 to 60	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 61 (partially)	4th August 2010	<a href="#">2010/1966</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 61 (in so far as not already in force)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 62 to 64	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 65(1) to (3) and (5)	6th July 2010	<a href="#">2010/1736</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 65(4)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 65(6)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 66 to 72	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 73 and 74	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>

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Schedule 26, paragraph 75	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 76 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 76 (partially)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 77 to 81	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 82 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 82 (in so far as not yet in force)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 26, paragraphs 83 to 106	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 106A(3)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>
Schedule 26, paragraph 107	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 27 (partially)	1st October 2010	<a href="#">2010/2317</a>
Schedule 27 (partially)	5th April 2011	<a href="#">2011/1066</a>

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(3) Paragraph 106A was inserted by [S.I. 2011/1060](#).