EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision imposing additional requirements on safeguarders and in relation to the termination of safeguarders' appointments under section 34 of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 ("the Act").

Regulations 3, 4 and 5 make provision about the termination of safeguarders' appointments where a safeguarder is appointed by a children's hearing, a pre-hearing panel or sheriff.

Regulation 6 provides that a sheriff may require a safeguarder to give a report to assist the sheriff in determining an appeal under section 154 of the Act.

Regulation 7 requires safeguarders to seek the views of the child when preparing any report or making any recommendation to the children's hearing or sheriff.

Regulation 8 requires that safeguarders explain their role to the child, any relevant person and any other person whom the safeguarder interviews in pursuance of their functions.

Regulation 9 makes provision in relation to the accessing of reports of safeguarders.