

**2018 No. 9 (C. 2)**

**CRIMINAL LAW**

**The Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015  
(Commencement No. 4) Regulations 2018**

*Made* - - - - - *11th January 2018*

*Laid before the Scottish Parliament* *15th January 2018*

*Coming into force* - - - *31st January 2018*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 45(2) and (3) of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (Commencement No. 4) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 31st January 2018.

**Appointed days**

2. The following days are appointed for the coming into force, for all remaining purposes, of the following provisions in the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015—

- (a) 31st January 2018 for section 12 (presumption of age of child victim); and
- (b) 1st April 2018 for section 9 (support and assistance for adult victims of human trafficking).

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11th January 2018

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations bring into force, for all remaining purposes, sections 9 and 12 of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (“the Act”). Sections 9 and 12 were previously commenced only for the purpose of making regulations.

The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 4th November 2015. Section 45(1) brought into force sections 40, 41, 42, 44, 45 and 46 on the day after Royal Assent.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

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

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Part 1	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 8	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 9 (partially)	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 10	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 11 (partially)	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 12 (partially)	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Part 3	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 16	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 17	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 18	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 19	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 20	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 21	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 22	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 23	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 24	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 25	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 26	31st October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 27	31st October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 28	31st October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 29	31st October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 30	31st October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 31	31st October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 32	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 33	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 34(1)	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 34(2) to (6)	30th June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Section 35	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 36	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 37	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 38 (partially)	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 39	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 43	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Schedule, paragraphs 1, 3 and 6	31st May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Schedule, paragraphs 2, 4 and 5	17th December 2016	S.S.I. 2016/385

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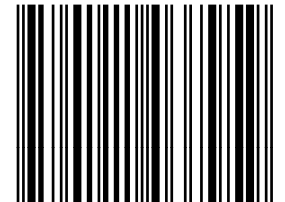
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