

**2023 No. 17 (C. 3)**

**CRIMINAL LAW**

**The Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015  
(Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2023**

*Made* - - - - - *24th January 2023*

*Laid before the Scottish Parliament* *26th January 2023*

*Coming into force* - - - *1st April 2023*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 45(2) of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015<sup>(a)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2023 and come into force on 1 April 2023.

**Appointed day**

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of section 11 of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015, so far as not already in force, is 1 April 2023.

*CLARE HAUGHEY*  
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
24th January 2023

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations bring fully into force section 11 of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015. Section 11 was previously commenced for the purpose of making regulations under paragraph (7) and (8) of that section.

The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 4 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.S.I. No.</i>
Part 1	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 8	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 9 (partially)	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 9 (fully)	1 April 2018	S.S.I. 2018/9
Section 10	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 11 (partially)	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 12 (partially)	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 12 (fully)	31 January 2018	S.S.I. 2018/9
Part 3	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Sections 16 to 25	30 June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Sections 26 to 31	31 October 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Sections 32 to 34(1)	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 34(2) to (6)	30 June 2017	S.S.I. 2017/140
Sections 35 to 37	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 38 (partially)	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 39	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Section 43	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Schedule 1, paragraphs 1, 3 and 6	31 May 2016	S.S.I. 2016/128
Schedule 1, paragraphs 2, 4 and 5	17 December 2016	S.S.I. 2016/385

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