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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SCOTLAND

**The Reporters (Conduct of Proceedings before the Sheriff)  
(Scotland) Regulations 1975**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	19th December 1975
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	14th January 1976
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	4th February 1976

The Secretary of State and the Lord Advocate, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 36A of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968(a) as inserted by section 82 of the Children Act 1975(b) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. These regulations may be cited as the Reporters (Conduct of Proceedings before the Sheriff) (Scotland) Regulations 1975 and shall come into operation on 4th February 1976.

*Interpretation*

2.—(1) In these regulations, unless the content otherwise requires—  
“the Act” means the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968;  
and other expressions used in these regulations and in Part III of the Act shall have the same meanings in these regulations as they have in the said Part III.

(2) In these regulations any reference to an enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, extended or applied under any other enactment.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Power to conduct proceedings before the sheriff*

3. Any officer appointed under section 36 of the Act and having the experience prescribed in regulation 4 of these regulations shall be entitled, whether or not he is an advocate or a solicitor, to conduct before a sheriff:—

- (a) any proceedings which under Part III of the Act are heard by the sheriff in chambers;
- (b) any application under section 37 or 40 of the Act in relation to a warrant.

*Prescription of experience required*

4. For the purposes of regulation 3 of these regulations the experience

(a) 1968 c. 49.

(b) 1975 c. 72.

(c) 1889 c. 63.

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prescribed shall be the experience of having held an appointment under section 36 of the Act for any period or periods amounting to not less than one year.

19th December 1975.

*William Ross,*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State

16th December 1975.

*Ronald King Murray,*  
Lord Advocate.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations empower officers appointed under Part III of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 as reporters, or as deputies of reporters, and who have a minimum of one year's experience, to conduct before the sheriff proceedings relating to applications and appeals under the said Part III.

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