These notes relate to the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 5) which received Royal Assent on 14 July 2000

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Commentary on Sections

Part 2: Land Transfers Etc. on and after Appointed Day

Section 6: Deduction of title for unregistered land etc.

35. Section 6 deals with a gap in the existing law. Legislation on deduction of title takes for granted that there will always be a last recorded title. On rare occasions there will not be such a title. Examples of ownership without a recorded or registered title include corporations such as the University of St Andrews which acquired land before the Register of Sasines was set up in 1617. The purpose of section 6 is not to require deduction of title in every case where a deed is taken from a person who owns without a recorded title; rather it allows deduction of title from such a person in a case where deduction of title would otherwise be necessary. Once land is registered in the Land Register, deduction of title ceases to be required.