

*These notes relate to the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001
(asp 2) which received Royal Assent on 25 January 2001*

TRANSPORT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 2

Bus Services

Quality contract schemes

Section 14 Proposed quality contract scheme

30. This section sets out what must and what may be included in a proposed QC scheme. A proposed scheme must specify the area to which the scheme relates, and whether the scheme will, in relation to each local service included in the scheme, come into operation either not earlier than six months from the letting of the contract or on an earlier specified date. It must also specify the period (at least 3 years, but not more than 7) during which it is to remain in operation. The Scottish Ministers have the power to amend the minimum and maximum periods by order.
31. The proposed scheme must outline the local services that are to be provided under QCs and the features of the proposed invitation to tender. It may also provide that specified local services are to be excluded from the scheme, and those services may be subject to certain conditions. The proposed scheme may also contain provisions in connection with ancillary matters. If a proposed QC scheme relates to any extent to the same area as an existing QP scheme the QC scheme may contain provision to vary or revoke that QP scheme.