

# Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

### **PART**

#### **BUS SERVICES**

## Quality contract schemes

## 14 Proposed quality contract scheme

- (1) A proposed quality contract scheme shall specify—
  - (a) the area to which the scheme relates;
  - (b) that the scheme shall, in so far as relating to each local service included in it, come into operation—
    - (i) on a date not earlier than six months after the day on which the local traffic authority who made the scheme enter into a quality contract in respect of that service; or
    - (ii) on such earlier date as the authority may specify,
    - (the first date on which the scheme so comes into operation being referred to in this section as the "operational date"); and
  - (c) the period (being a period of more than three, but not more than seven, years beginning on the operational date) during which it is to remain in operation.
- (2) A proposed scheme shall outline—
  - (a) the local services which are to be provided under quality contracts; and
  - (b) the features of the proposed invitations to tender for quality contracts.
- (3) A proposed scheme may provide that—
  - (a) local services specified in it; or
  - (b) local services of a class specified in it,
  - are to be excluded from the scheme, subject to such conditions (if any) as may be specified in it.
- (4) A proposed scheme may contain such ancillary provisions as the authority think fit.
- (5) If a proposed quality contract scheme relates to any extent to the same area as a quality partnership scheme, the quality contract scheme may include provision—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) varying or revoking any such quality partnership scheme which relates only to the area of the authority by which the quality contract scheme is made; or
- (b) varying any other such quality partnership scheme to the extent that it so relates.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers may by order vary the number of years mentioned in subsection (1)(c) above.