



Dog Fouling (Scotland) Act 2003

2003 asp 12

16 Interpretation

(1) In this Act—

“agricultural land” has the meaning given in section 2(3);

“authorised officer” in relation to a local authority means any person who is authorised in writing by the authority under section 4 for the purpose of issuing fixed penalty notices;

“disabled person” has the meaning given by [^{F1}section 6 of the Equality Act 2010];

“fixed penalty notice” means a notice issued to a person under section 5(1);

“local authority” means a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c. 39);

“owner” does not include a creditor in a heritable security who is not in possession of the security subjects;

“period for paying” means the period of 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which the fixed penalty notice was issued;

“proceedings” means criminal proceedings;

“public open place” has the meaning given by section 2(3).

(2) The Scottish Ministers may by order amend the number of days in the definition of “period for paying” in subsection (1).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 16 substituted (1.10.2010) by 2010 c. 15 Sch. 26 Pt. 2 para. 105 (as inserted by [The Equality Act 2010 \(Consequential Amendments, Saving and Supplementary Provisions\) Order 2010](#) (S.I. 2010/2279), art. 1(2), [Sch. 1 para. 6](#) (see S.I. 2010/2317, art. 2))

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Dog Fouling (Scotland) Act 2003, Section 16.