

*These notes relate to the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act
2003 (asp 7) which received Royal Assent on 26 March 2003*

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT THE ACT IS IN 12 PARTS.

Part 1 – Protection of the Public at Large

The Risk Management Authority

Section 5 – Guidelines and standards

36. This section enables the RMA (in pursuance of its policy and research function, prescribed by section 4) to produce, by means of guidelines, a common framework including standards within which those involved in the assessment and management of risk are to operate. The standards will be defined, approved and published by the RMA. The section also provides that those involved in the assessment and minimisation of risk must have regard to the RMA's guidelines and standards when exercising their relevant risk management functions. Practitioners involved in the field of risk assessment and the minimisation of risk may also be accredited for those purposes. This matter is dealt with in section 11.