

## Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 2004 asp 8

## PART 13

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

## General

## 143 Interpretation: "antisocial behaviour" and other expressions

- (1) For the purposes of this Act (other than Parts 7 and 8), a person ("A") engages in antisocial behaviour if A—
  - (a) acts in a manner that causes or is likely to cause alarm or distress; or
  - (b) pursues a course of conduct that causes or is likely to cause alarm or distress,

to at least one person who is not of the same household as A; and "antisocial behaviour" shall be construed accordingly.

(2) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"conduct" includes speech; and a course of conduct must involve conduct on at least two occasions;

"local authority" means a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c. 39); and "area", in relation to a local authority, means the local government area (within the meaning of that Act) for which the council is constituted;

"registered social landlord" means a body registered in the register maintained under section 57 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 (asp 10); and

"senior police officer" has the meaning given by section 19(1).