LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON PARTS

Part 6 – Personal Licences

Section 75 – Applicant's duty to notify Licensing Board of convictions

- 155. This section places a duty on the applicant for a personal licence to inform the Licensing Board to which they have made the application of any relevant or foreign offence that they have been convicted of in the period between making their application and it being determined by the Licensing Board.
- 156. Subsection (2) provides the time limit within which the applicant must notify the Licensing Board with the information set out in subsection (3).
- 157. The Licensing Board must suspend consideration of the application and, in the meantime, pass the notice of conviction to the chief constable. The chief constable must, within 21 days, check the conviction and whether it relates to a relevant offence or foreign offence and respond accordingly to the Licensing Board. Subsection (6) sets out the mandatory requirement for such notices to be given by chief constables.
- 158. Where the Chief Constable confirms the existence of the conviction and that it is for a relevant or foreign offence, the chief constable may recommend to the Licensing Board that, in the interests of the crime prevention licensing objective, the licence application should be refused.
- 159. The Licensing Board must resume consideration of the application on receipt of the chief constable's response and determine it in accordance with section 74.