



# Emergency Workers (Scotland) Act 2005

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### **1 Assaulting or impeding certain providers of emergency services**

- (1) A person who assaults, obstructs or hinders another person acting in a capacity mentioned in subsection (3) below commits an offence.
- (2) No offence is committed under subsection (1) above unless the person who assaults, obstructs or hinders knows or ought to know that the person being assaulted, obstructed or hindered is acting in that capacity.
- (3) The capacity referred to in subsection (1) above is—
  - (a) that of a constable;
  - (b) that of a member of a fire brigade maintained in pursuance of the Fire Services Act 1947 (c. 41) or a person who, not being a member of such a fire brigade, is paid by a fire authority under section 3(1)(b) of that Act for rendering services and is doing so; or
  - (c) that of a person acting for the Scottish Ambulance Service Board in exercise of the function referred to in article 4(1)(a) of the Scottish Ambulance Service Board Order 1999 (S.I.1999/686) (exercise by the Board of function of providing ambulances and other means of transport for ill and other persons).