

*These notes relate to the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005  
(asp 5) which received Royal Assent on 1 April 2005*

# **FIRE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION**

#### **Part 2 – Fire and Rescue Services**

#### *Chapter 3 – Ancillary functions*

#### *Section 13 – Power to respond to other eventualities*

23. This section provides relevant authorities with discretion to equip, and respond to, events beyond its core functions provided for at sections 8 to 11 and 61. Such an authority will be free to act where it believes there is a risk to life or the environment. This would allow, for example, specialist activities such as rope rescue.