

SCOTTISH COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 3: Information, guidance, education, etc.

12. Subsections (1)(a) and (b) provide that the Commission may, in pursuing the general duty set out in section 2(1), publish or otherwise disseminate information or ideas and provide advice or guidance.
13. Under these subsections, the Commission could, for example, publish information leaflets, internet resources, or educational materials; send group emails; make presentations at conferences; set up awareness-raising campaigns; issue guidance material; or offer advice through correspondence or by telephone.
14. As detailed in subsection (1)(c), the Commission could, for instance, conduct research. The Commission could also conduct statistical research on court cases with human rights aspects.
15. Subsection (1)(d) provides that the Commission can provide education and training.
16. Subsection (2) states that the Commission can charge reasonable fees for providing any of the services described in the previous subsection. Any fees paid to the Commission must be put towards the costs of the activities listed in paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (1).