



# Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

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### PART 5

#### PUBLIC HEALTH FUNCTIONS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

##### *Facilities for disinfection etc.*

#### **72 Provision of facilities for disinfection etc.**

- (1) Each local authority must provide or ensure the provision, for its area, of—
  - (a) facilities and equipment for—
    - (i) the disinfection of;
    - (ii) the disinfection of;
    - (iii) the decontamination of; and
    - (iv) other connected operations in relation to, things and premises which are infected, infested or contaminated;
  - (b) facilities and equipment for the destruction of such things; and
  - (c) means for transporting such things to such facilities and equipment.
- (2) An authority may comply with subsection (1)(a) and (b) by providing or ensuring the provision of mobile facilities and equipment only; and, where it does so, subsection (1)(c) does not apply.
- (3) An authority may enter into an agreement with any person for the provision by that person of the facilities, equipment and means of transport referred to in subsection (1).
- (4) Facilities and equipment provided under subsection (1) need not be in the area of the local authority.
- (5) In this Part—
  - “contaminated” includes having been exposed to—
    - (a) a person who is contaminated;
    - (b) a contaminant; or
    - (c) an animal or insect which is contaminated;
  - “infected” includes having been exposed to—

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (a) a person who has an infectious disease;
- (b) an organism which causes any such disease; or
- (c) an animal or insect which—
  - (i) has or carries an organism which causes an infectious disease; or
  - (ii) has or carries an infectious disease,which is a risk to human health; and

“infested” means infested with an animal or insect which—

- (a) has or carries an organism which causes an infectious disease; or
- (b) has or carries an infectious disease,

which is a risk to human health.

(6) In subsection (5), “animal” means a vertebrate other than a human.