FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT - SECTION BY SECTION

Part 3 – Flood Risk Assessment, Maps and Plans

Section 21 – SEPA to prepare flood hazard maps and flood risk maps

- 67. This section requires SEPA to prepare maps showing flood hazards and flood risk for all potentially vulnerable areas in a flood risk management district. Flood hazard maps will show the areas which could be flooded and information about the flood water, while flood risk maps will show the potential adverse consequences of such floods. Together with sections 22 and 23, this section implements Article 6 of the Directive. Section 22 sets out what flood hazard maps must show and section 23 does the same for flood risk maps.
- 68. The first maps must be prepared by 22nd December 2013, which is the date set by Article 6 of the Directive.