

# Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009

### PART 6

### POWERS OF ENTRY AND COMPENSATION

# Compensation

# 82 Compensation

- (1) SEPA must compensate any person who has sustained damage in consequence of—
  - (a) any exercise of the power in section 76(1)(c) or (d), or
  - (b) the exercise of a right of entry conferred by section 79(1) (including the ancillary rights mentioned in section 81(1) and (2)).
- (2) A local authority must compensate any person who has sustained damage in consequence of—
  - (a) scheme operations carried out by or on behalf of the local authority,
  - (b) the subsequent maintenance of any such operations by or on behalf of the local authority,
  - (c) any other exercise of the power in section 56(1),
  - (d) the carrying out of works under section 59,
  - (e) the variation or revocation of an improvement order under section 61, or
  - (f) the exercise of a right of entry conferred by section 79(2) (including the ancillary rights mentioned in section 81(1) and (2)).

## **Commencement Information**

- II S. 82(1)(2)(f) in force at 26.11.2009 by S.S.I. 2009/393, art. 2, Sch.
- I2 S. 82(2)(a)-(e) in force at 24.12.2010 by S.S.I. 2010/401, art. 3(e)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009, Cross Heading: Compensation. (See end of Document for details)

# 83 Compensation: supplementary

- (1) In section 82, a person sustains damage if—
  - (a) the value of the person's interest in land has been depreciated, or
  - (b) the person has been disturbed in the person's enjoyment of land.
- (2) SEPA or, as the case may be, a local authority must pay compensation under section 82 to a person only if—
  - (a) the damage is not attributable to an act or omission of the person,
  - (b) the act or omission causing the damage would have been actionable at the person's instance if it had been done or omitted otherwise than in exercise of statutory powers,
  - (c) the person gives notice to SEPA or, as the case may be, the local authority of the person's claim stating the grounds of the claim and the amount claimed, and
  - (d) the notice is given no later than the earlier of—
    - (i) 2 years after the depreciation first becomes apparent or, as the case may be, the first occurrence of the disturbance, and
    - (ii) 10 years from the completion of the scheme operations, maintenance, exercise of a right of entry or, as the case may be, exercise of another function mentioned in section 82.
- (3) Subsection (2)(b) does not apply where the damage has been sustained in consequence of circumstances falling within section 82(2)(e).
- (4) Any question of disputed compensation under section 82 is to be determined by the Lands Tribunal for Scotland.

# **Commencement Information**

I3 S. 83 in force at 26.11.2009 by S.S.I. 2009/393, art. 2, Sch.

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