



Legal Services (Scotland) Act 2010

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PART 2

REGULATION OF LICENSED LEGAL SERVICES

CHAPTER 1

APPROVED REGULATORS

Approved regulators

10 Authorisation to act

- (1) An approved regulator may not exercise any of its regulatory functions unless it is authorised to do so by the Scottish Ministers under this section.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may give their authorisation if they are satisfied (or continue to be satisfied)—
 - (a) as mentioned in subsection (1) of section 7,
 - (b) as regards any criteria provided for under subsection (5)(b) of that section.
- (3) Their authorisation may be given with restrictions imposed by reference to particular categories of—
 - (a) licensed provider,
 - (b) legal services.
- (4) Their authorisation may be given—
 - (a) either—
 - (i) without limit of time, or
 - (ii) for a fixed period of at least 3 years,
 - (b) subject to conditions.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may, after consulting the approved regulator, vary (including by addition or deletion) any restrictions or conditions imposed under subsection (3) or (4)(b).

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Legal Services (Scotland) Act 2010, Section 10. (See end of Document for details)

- (6) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about authorisation under this section including (in particular) the process for requests for their authorisation.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 10(1) in force at 1.4.2011 by [S.S.I. 2011/180, art. 3, Sch.](#)
I2 S. 10(2)-(6) in force at 1.4.2011 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2011/180, art. 3, Sch.](#)
I3 S. 10(2)-(6) in force at 2.7.2012 in so far as not already in force by [S.S.I. 2012/152, art. 2, Sch.](#)

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