

*These notes relate to the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010  
(asp 5) which received Royal Assent on 10 March 2010*

# MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### THE ACT

#### **Part 5 – Marine Protection and Enhancement: the Scottish Marine Protection Area**

#### **Advice etc. as regards protection of certain marine areas**

#### ***Section 81 - Advice and guidance by the Scottish Ministers as regards MPAs***

128. **Section 81** provides that Scottish Ministers may also give advice and guidance on those areas for which SNH may provide guidance under section 80. In addition, Scottish Ministers may provide guidance relating to the matters which are capable of damaging or otherwise affecting any marine historic asset in a Historic MPA and how any stated objectives for a Historic MPA may be best furthered, or how the achievement of any such objectives may be hindered. Scottish Ministers may provide advice in relation to a particular Nature Conservation, Demonstration and Research or Historic MPA, as well as in relation to categories of MPA or indeed all MPAs.