

These notes relate to the Forth Crossing Act 2011 (asp 2) which received Royal Assent on 20 January 2011

FORTH CROSSING ACT 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 – Roads

Section 11 – Special roads

43. The term “special road” is used to describe a road which is prescribed for the use of certain classes of traffic¹. Subsection (1) introduces [schedule 3](#) which lists those roads or parts of road that the Scottish Ministers may designate as being a special road. Subsection (2) provides the notification procedures that the Scottish Ministers must follow when designating a road under the Act as a special road.
44. Subsections (3) and (4) are technical provisions to ensure that a designation of special road status made under the Act can be treated as though it were made under section 7 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 and therefore attract the provisions of the 1984 Act as they relate to special roads. If a special road designation were to change, section 145 of the 1984 Act would need to be applied to modify or repeal [section 11](#). This ensures that any future re-designation of roads as special roads or otherwise can be done using the powers under section 7 of the 1984 Act, and is subject to the relevant procedures in Schedules 1 and 2 to that Act.

¹ A common type of special road is a motorway which is prescribed for traffic which falls within Classes I and II of schedule 3 to the [Roads \(Scotland\) Act 1984 \(c.54\)](#).