

# Charities Act 2011

## **2011 CHAPTER 25**

### PART 5

#### INFORMATION POWERS

Power to call for documents and search records

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- (1) The Commission may by order—
  - (a) require any person to provide the Commission with any information which is in that person's possession and which—
    - (i) relates to any charity, and
    - (ii) is relevant to the discharge of the functions of the Commission or of the official custodian;
  - (b) require any person who has custody or control of any document which relates to any charity and is relevant to the discharge of the functions of the Commission or of the official custodian—
    - (i) to provide the Commission with a copy of or extract from the document, or
    - (ii) to transmit the document itself to the Commission for its inspection (unless the document forms part of the records or other documents of a court or of a public or local authority).
- (2) The Commission is entitled without payment to keep any copy or extract provided to it under subsection (1).
- (3) If a document transmitted to the Commission under subsection (1) for it to inspect—
  - (a) relates only to one or more charities, and
  - (b) is not held by any person entitled as trustee or otherwise to the custody of it,

the Commission may keep it or may deliver it to the charity trustees or to any other person who may be so entitled.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(4) This section has effect in relation to any body entered in the Scottish Charity Register which is managed or controlled wholly or mainly in or from England or Wales as it has effect in relation to a charity.