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**The Prisons and Young Offenders
Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2006**

PART 10

SECURITY AND CONTROL

Conditions of use of restraints

98.—(1) A prisoner shall not be placed under a restraint—

- (a) any longer than is necessary; and
- (b) without prejudice to sub paragraph (a), for a period of more than 24 hours except with the authority of the Scottish Ministers.

(2) An authority given under paragraph (1) shall—

- (a) state the grounds for continued use of the restraint and the time during which it may continue to be used; and
- (b) require a medical officer to visit the prisoner at regular intervals.

(3) A restraint—

- (a) shall be applied in such a manner; and
- (b) when applied, shall be temporarily removed in such circumstances,

as may be specified in a direction by the Scottish Ministers.

(4) A prisoner who is placed under a restraint shall be visited by an officer at least once in every 15 minutes during the period that the prisoner is under restraint.

(5) A medical officer shall examine a prisoner who is placed under a restraint immediately following—

- (a) the placing of the restraint; and
- (b) its removal (other than for a temporary purpose).

(6) The Governor shall forthwith—

- (a) record particulars of every case of a prisoner placed under a restraint; and
- (b) give notice to the Scottish Ministers of those particulars.