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**2016 No. 49**

**The Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016**

PART 1

GENERAL

CHAPTER 1

CITATION, COMMENCEMENT, EXTENT, DEFINITIONS AND SUBJECT-MATTER

**Citation, commencement and extent**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016.

*Commencement*

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), these Regulations come into force on 18th April 2016.

(3) Regulation 38(1) to (7) (rules applicable to communication) comes into force—

- (a) for the purposes of regulations 50 (dynamic purchasing systems), 51 (electronic auctions), 52 (electronic catalogues), 61 (communication of technical specifications), 69(1) (form and manner of sending notices for publication at EU level) and 71 (electronic availability of procurement documents) on 18th April 2016;
- (b) for the purposes of regulation 53(6) (centralised purchasing activities and central purchasing bodies) on 18th April 2017; and
- (c) for all other purposes on 18th October 2018.

(4) Regulation 53(6) (centralised purchasing activities and central purchasing bodies) comes into force on 18th April 2017.

*Extent*

(5) These Regulations extend to Scotland only.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** [Reg. 1](#) in force at 18.4.2016, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk) editorial team to The Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Regulations applied by [2023 c. 54 s. 119\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Regulations power to amend conferred by [2023 c. 54 s. 115\(3\)\(4\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 5A inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(61\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 3(2)-(2C) substituted for reg. 3(2) by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 15A inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(7\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 19(2)(2A) substituted for reg. 19(2) by [2024 c. 6 Sch. para. 17\(3\)](#)
- reg. 19(4) inserted by [2024 c. 6 Sch. para. 17\(4\)](#)
- reg. 20(1)(d)(i)(aa) words substituted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(11\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 20(1)(d)(i)(bb) words substituted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(11\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 38A inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(26\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 41(1) reg. 41 renumbered as reg. 41(1) by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(27\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 41(1) words omitted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(27\)\(b\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). Reg. 5(27)(b)(i) substituted by S.S.I. 2019/114, reg. 2(5)(a)(ii)(aa) and then S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 41(1) words substituted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(27\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). Reg. 5(27)(b)(ii) omitted by virtue of S.S.I. 2019/114, reg. 2(5)(a)(ii)(bb))
- reg. 41(1) words substituted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(27\)\(b\)\(iii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). Reg. 5(27)(b)(iii) substituted by S.S.I. 2019/114, reg. 2(5)(a)(ii)(cc) and then S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 41(1) words substituted by S.S.I. 2019/112, reg. 5(27)(b)(i) (as substituted) by [S.S.I. 2019/114 reg. 2\(5\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk). S.S.I. 2019/114 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(b))
- reg. 41(1) words substituted by S.S.I. 2019/112, reg. 5(27)(b)(iii) (as substituted) by [S.S.I. 2019/114 reg. 2\(5\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk).)

- S.S.I. 2019/114 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(b))
- reg. 41(2) inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(27\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
  - reg. 50(25)(25A) substituted for reg. 50(25) by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(33\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
  - reg. 66(2A) inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(38\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
  - reg. 68(2)(a)(iiia) inserted by [2024 c. 6 Sch. para. 18](#)
  - reg. 69(5)(6) inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(41\)\(f\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
  - reg. 74(6A)-(6C) inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(44\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
  - reg. 100(3)(3A) substituted for reg. 100(3) by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 5\(58\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
  - reg. 100(4A) inserted by S.S.I. 2019/112, reg. 5(58)(da) (as substituted) by [S.S.I. 2019/114 reg. 2\(5\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/114 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(b))