
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Secure Accommodation (Scotland) Regulations 1996

Children looked after by local authority under Part II of the Act - interim placement

7.—(1) A child who is being looked after by a local authority under chapters 1 or 4 of Part II of the Act may not be placed in secure accommodation unless the chief social work officer of the authority looking after the child and the person in charge are each satisfied with respect to the same matters as to which regulation 6(1) requires them to be satisfied and that the child may be in need of compulsory measures of supervision under Part II of the Act.

(2) On a child being placed in secure accommodation under paragraph (1), the chief social work officer of the local authority shall—

- (a) forthwith, in writing, inform any relevant person in relation to the child and the Principal Reporter accordingly;
- (b) forthwith and in any event not later than 24 hours from the time of that placement (whether or not the child is still held in secure accommodation) refer the child's case to the Principal Reporter and inform him in writing of—
 - (i) the details of that placement and any subsequent placement or release;
 - (ii) the reasons why at the time of placement the chief social work officer and the person in charge had cause to believe that the child may be in need of compulsory measures of supervision under Part II of the Act and the reasons why at the time of writing they still have such cause or otherwise;
 - (iii) the reasons why at the time of placement the chief social work officer and the person in charge were satisfied with respect to the matters referred to and mentioned in regulation 6(1) of these Regulations and the reasons why at the time of writing they continue to be so satisfied or otherwise; and
 - (iv) the views of the chief social work officer and the person in charge as to the need or otherwise for the child's detention in secure accommodation.