1956 No. 464 (S. 24)

The Civil Defence (Shelters) (Maintenance) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956

Made - - - -	*24th March*, 1956
Coming into Operation	*7th April*, 1956

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 2, as read with the proviso to subsection (2) of section 9 of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(a), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following regulations, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

1. For the purposes of section 2 of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, it shall be a function of every local authority to take such steps as may be practicable to maintain existing residential civil defence shelters and existing public civil defence shelters.

2. In relation to a civil defence shelter comprising the whole or any part of a building or other structure strengthened or adapted with a view to its use as a civil defence shelter the function of maintenance under these regulations shall be restricted to the maintenance of the works of strengthening or adaptation.

3. In the exercise of the function conferred on them by these regulations a local authority shall comply with such directions as may be given to them from time to time by the Secretary of State.

4.—(1) In these regulations a reference to an existing civil defence shelter is a reference to such a shelter within the meaning of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, provided by any local authority under the Civil Defence Acts, 1937 and 1939(b).

(2) In these regulations a reference to the provision of civil defence shelters is a reference to the construction or erection of civil defence shelters and the strengthening or adaptation of the whole or any part of a building or other structure or of a cave or tunnel with a view to its use as a civil defence shelter.

(3) In these regulations the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say :—

"local authority" means in relation to a burgh, the town council, and in relation to a county (exclusive of any burgh therein) the county council:

"public civil defence shelters" means civil defence shelters for the public at large, whether or not priority of admission is accorded to ticket-holders or in other ways:

"residential civil defence shelters" means civil defence shelters for specific persons in or near their homes.

(4) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5. (b) 1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. 6 and 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 31.
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

5.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Civil Defence (Shelters) (Maintenance) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on the fourteenth day after the day on which they are made.

(3) These regulations shall apply to Scotland only.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1956.

James Stuart,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations confer on town and county councils in Scotland functions of maintaining civil defence shelters provided under the Civil Defence Acts, 1937 and 1939, for the public at large and for specific persons in or near their homes.

1956 No. 409 (S. 19)

The Civil Defence (South of Scotland Electricity Board) Regulations, 1956

Made - - - -	21*st March*, 1956
Coming into Operation	28*th March*, 1956

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section six as read with the proviso to subsection (2) of section nine of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(**a**), as extended by the Civil Defence (Electricity Undertakings) Act, 1954(**b**), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby, with the consent of the Treasury, make the following Regulations, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

1.—(1) The Secretary of State may serve a notice in writing on the South of Scotland Board requiring them within the time specified in the notice—

(*a*) to make a report stating what measures they have taken or are taking or proposing to take to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack; or

(*b*) to take such measures as may be so specified to secure the due functioning of their undertaking in the event of hostile attack.

(2) If the South of Scotland Board fail to comply with the requirements of a notice served on them under the foregoing paragraph they shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds and, if the failure in respect of which they were so convicted continues after the conviction, they shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds for each day on which the failure so continues;

Provided that if the South of Scotland Board are convicted in respect of a breach of sub-paragraph (*b*) of that paragraph the court by which they

(**a**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5. (**b**) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 19.