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CLIMATE CHANGE

The Climate Change (Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2026

Made - - - -	*22nd September 2026*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament	*24th September 2026*
Coming into force - -	*19th November 2026*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 46(1) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009(**a**) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Climate Change (Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2026 and comes into force on 19 November 2026.

Amendment of the Climate Change (Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements) (Scotland) Order 2015

2.—(1) The Climate Change (Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements) (Scotland) Order 2015(**b**) is amended as follows.

(2) In schedule 1 (listed bodies), under the heading "Others"—

(a) after "the National Library of Scotland" insert "Qualifications Scotland"(**c**),

(**a**) 2009 asp 12. In section 46(1), "relevant public body" has the meaning given by section 44(5) (read with section 44(2)) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 ("the Act"). A "relevant public body" is a Scottish public authority (within the meaning of section 3(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp 13)) ("the 2002 Act") which has climate change duties under section 44(1) or by virtue of section 44(3) of the Act. The Education (Scotland) Act 2025 (asp 11), schedule 4, paragraph 3, inserted Qualifications Scotland in schedule 1 of the 2002 Act as a Scottish public authority.

(**b**) S.S.I. 2015/347, relevantly amended by S.S.I. 2020/281.

(**c**) Qualifications Scotland was established by section 1(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act 2025 (asp 11).

(b) omit "the Scottish Qualifications Authority"(**a**).

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22nd September 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order updates the list of public bodies in schedule 1 of the Climate Change (Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements) (Scotland) Order 2015. Bodies listed in that schedule are required to prepare reports on compliance with climate change duties imposed under (or by virtue of) section 44 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.

Article 2 inserts into schedule 1 Qualifications Scotland, which was established by section 1(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act 2025. Article 2 also omits the Scottish Qualifications Authority, which was dissolved by section 60 of that Act.

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(**a**) The Scottish Qualifications Authority was dissolved by section 60 of the Education (Scotland) Act 2025 (asp 11).

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