SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 280 (C. 31)

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING

The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No. 15) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	*1st October 2026*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament	*5th October 2026*
Coming into force - -	*2nd November 2026*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 63(2) of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019(**a**).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No. 15) Regulations 2026 and come into force on 2 November 2026.

(2) In these Regulations "the Act" means the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019.

Appointed day

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the day appointed for the coming into force of section 45 (power to impose training requirements: planning authorities) of the Act is 2 November 2026.

(2) Section 45 of the Act comes into force on 2 November 2026 only for the purposes of enabling regulations to be made under that section.

HANNAH MARY GOODLAD
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
1st October 2026

(**a**) 2019 asp 13.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring section 45 of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 ("the Act") into force on 2 November 2026 for the purpose of making regulations under that section.

The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 25 July 2019. Sections 58 to 61, 63 and 64 came into force on the following day.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The following provisions of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 have been brought into force by commencement regulations made before the date of these Regulations.

Provision	*Date of Commencement*	*Instrument number*
Sections 1 and 2	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Sections 3 and 5 (for limited purposes)	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Section 6	12 February 2023	S.S.I. 2023/10
Section 7 (for limited purposes)	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Sections 7 (in so far as not already in force) and 8	19 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 9	12 February 2023	S.S.I. 2023/10
Section 10	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Section 11 (for limited purposes)	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Section 11 (in so far as not already in force)	19 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 12 (for limited purposes)	1 April 2024	S.S.I. 2024/79
Section 12 (in so far as not already in force)	5 December 2024	S.S.I. 2024/252
Section 13(1) (for limited purposes)	23 December 2022	S.S.I. 2022/386
Section 13(1) (in so far as not already in force), (2) and (3)	12 February 2023	S.S.I. 2023/10
Section 13(4) and (5)	23 December 2022	S.S.I. 2022/386
Section 14 (for limited purposes)	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Section 14(1) (for limited purposes)	22 January 2022	S.S.I. 2021/480
Section 14(1) (for limited purposes)	19 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 14(1) (for limited purposes)	20 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 14(2)	19 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 14(3)	22 January 2022	S.S.I. 2021/480
Section 14(4)	20 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 14(7)	22 January 2022	S.S.I. 2021/480
Section 15 (for limited purposes)	5 December 2024	S.S.I. 2024/79
Section 15 (in so far as not	5 December 2024	S.S.I. 2024/252

already in force)		
Section 16	1 April 2024	S.S.I. 2024/79
Sections 17 (for limited purposes)	18 May 2020	S.S.I. 2020/67
Section 17 (in so far as not already in force)	1 April 2021	S.S.I. 2021/101
Section 18(1), (2) and (4)	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 18(3)	1 October 2022	S.S.I. 2021/101
Section 20	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 22	1 October 2022	S.S.I. 2022/275
Section 23	1 March 2020	S.S.I. 2019/377
Section 24	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 25	20 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/377
Section 26 (for limited purposes)	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 26 (in so far as not already in force)	18 May 2020	S.S.I. 2020/67
Section 27	1 March 2020	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 29	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 30	1 March 2020	S.S.I. 2019/385
Sections 32 and 33	1 October 2022	S.S.I. 2022/275
Sections 34 and 37	18 November 2020	S.S.I. 2020/294
Section 38	1 October 2022	S.S.I. 2022/275
Section 40	17 July 2021	S.S.I. 2021/244
Section 41	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 42	20 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/377
Sections 47, 48 and 49	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 50	1 April 2024	S.S.I. 2024/79
Sections 51, 52 and 53	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 62 and paragraph 9 of schedule 2 (for limited purposes)	8 November 2019	S.S.I. 2019/314
Section 62 and paragraph 9 of schedule 2 (for limited purposes)	1 December 2019	S.S.I. 2019/385
Section 62 and paragraph 9 of schedule 2 (for limited purposes)	18 May 2020	S.S.I. 2020/67
Section 62 (for limited purposes) and paragraph 6 of schedule 2	1 October 2022	S.S.I. 2022/275
Section 62 (for limited purposes) and paragraph 4 of schedule 2	11 February 2023	S.S.I. 2023/10
Section 62 (for limited purposes) and paragraph 1 of schedule 2	12 February 2023	S.S.I. 2023/10
Section 62 (for limited purposes) and paragraphs 2 and 3 of schedule 2	19 May 2023	S.S.I. 2023/100
Section 62 and paragraph 9 of schedule 2 (for limited purposes)	1 April 2024	S.S.I. 2024/79

Section 62 (for limited purposes) and paragraph 5 of schedule 2	5 December 2024	S.S.I. 2024/252

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