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SPORTS GROUNDS AND SPORTING EVENTS

The UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2026 (Commencement No. 1) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	*8th September 2026*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament	*10th September 2026*
Coming into force - -	*20th September 2026*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 39(2) of the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2026(**a**).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2026 (Commencement No. 1) Regulations 2026 and come into force on 20 September 2026.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Act" means the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2026.

Appointed day

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), 20 September 2026 is the day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the Act specified in column 1 of the schedule of these Regulations (the subject matter of which is described in the corresponding entry in column 2 of the schedule).

(2) Where a purpose is specified in column 3 of the schedule, the corresponding provision specified in column 1 comes into force in accordance with paragraph (1) only for that purpose.

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A member of the Scottish Government

St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
8th September 2026

(**a**) 2026 asp 4.

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Provisions to be commenced

Column 1 Provisions of the Act	*Column 2 Subject matter*	*Column 3 Purpose*
Section 1	Meaning of key terms	
Sections 2 to 5	Ticket touting	
Sections 17 to 32	Enforcement powers	For the purpose of enforcing sections 2 to 5 of the Act
Sections 33 and 34	Enforcement of offences	For the purpose of enforcing offences under sections 2 to 5 of the Act
Schedule 1	Touting offence: exceptions for providers of information society services etc.	

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring sections 1 to 5 and schedule 1 of the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2026 ("the Act") into force on 20 September 2026. Section 1 defines key terms used in the Act and sections 2 to 5 provide for an offence of ticket touting in relation to the UEFA European Championship that is to be held, in part, in Glasgow in 2028. Schedule 1 provides for exceptions to that offence, applying to providers of information society services.

These Regulations also bring into force on 20 September 2026 sections 17 to 34 of the Act, for the purposes of enforcing sections 2 to 5 of the Act.

The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 27 February 2026. Sections 36 to 41 came into force on the following day.

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