



# Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 2005 asp 15

## PART 1

### ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR PLANS AND PROGRAMMES

#### **4 Plans and programmes**

- (1) This Act applies to plans and programmes (including those co-financed by the European Community) which—
  - (a) are—
    - (i) subject to preparation or adoption (or both) by a responsible authority at national, regional or local level; or
    - (ii) without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (i), prepared by a responsible authority for adoption through a legislative procedure; and
  - (b) relate solely to the whole or any part of Scotland.
- (2) In this Act, any reference to plans or programmes includes reference to modification of plans or programmes.
- (3) This Act does not apply to—
  - (a) plans and programmes the sole purpose of which is to serve national defence or civil emergency;
  - (b) financial or budgetary plans and programmes;
  - (c) plans and programmes co-financed under the 2000-2006 programming period for Council Regulation (EC) No. 1260/1999 and the 2000/2006 and 2000/2007 programming periods for Council Regulation (EC) No. 1257/99 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund.
- (4) In this Act, any reference to plans or programmes includes strategies.