



Consumer Scotland Act 2020

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PART 1 **S**

CONSUMER SCOTLAND

Functions

7 **General provision about functions** **S**

- (1) In exercising its functions, Consumer Scotland must comply with the requirements of this section.
- (2) Consumer Scotland must have regard to the forward work programme published under section 14.
- (3) Consumer Scotland must have regard to—
 - (a) the activities carried on by specified persons and any other persons with the same functions as, or similar functions to, Consumer Scotland, and
 - (b) the desirability of working in collaboration with others where appropriate.
- (4) Consumer Scotland must have regard to the interests of vulnerable consumers.
- (5) But nothing in subsection (4) is to be taken as implying that regard may not be had to the interests of other descriptions of consumers.
- (6) Consumer Scotland must have regard to the environmental impact of the actions of consumers.
- (7) Consumer Scotland must have regard to the importance of communicating in an inclusive way.
- (8) In subsection (3)(a), “specified” means specified in regulations made by the Scottish Ministers.
- (9) In subsection (7), “communicating in an inclusive way” means communicating in a way that ensures that individuals who have difficulty communicating (in relation to speech, language or otherwise) can receive information and express themselves in ways that best meet each individual's needs.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Consumer Scotland Act 2020, Section 7. (See end of Document for details)

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