SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 161

The Single Use Carrier Bags Charge (Scotland) Regulations 2014

PART 4

Offences and enforcement

Offences

- 12.—(1) It is an offence for a supplier of a single use carrier bag to contravene regulation 6.
- (2) It is an offence for a supplier to whom Part 3 applies—
 - (a) to contravene, without reasonable excuse, regulation 10;
 - (b) to knowingly or recklessly make a false entry in a record;
 - (c) to fail, without reasonable excuse, to comply with a request under regulation 11;
 - (d) to knowingly or recklessly give false or misleading information to the enforcement authority; or
 - (e) to otherwise obstruct or fail to assist the enforcement authority in the exercise of its functions under these Regulations.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (1) or (2) is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum; and
 - (b) on conviction on indictment to a fine.
- (4) Where a supplier is charged with an offence under paragraph (1), it is a defence for the supplier to show that the supplier took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to prevent the offence being committed.
 - (5) Where—
 - (a) an offence has been committed by a body corporate or a Scottish partnership or other unincorporated association; and
 - (b) it is proved that the offence was committed with the consent or connivance of, or was attributable to any neglect on the part of—
 - (i) a relevant individual; or
 - (ii) an individual purporting to act in the capacity of a relevant individual,

the individual as well as the body corporate, Scottish partnership or unincorporated association commits an offence and is liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

- (6) In paragraph (5), "relevant individual" means—
 - (a) in relation to a body corporate—
 - (i) a director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body;
 - (ii) where the affairs of the body are managed by its members, a member;

- (b) in relation to a Scottish partnership, a partner;
- (c) in relation to an unincorporated association other than a Scottish partnership, a person who is concerned in the management or control of the association.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Single Use Carrier Bags Charge (Scotland) Regulations 2014, Section 12.