



Water (Scotland) Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 45

PART I

CENTRAL AUTHORITY

^{F1}[1] **General duties of Secretary of State and of water authorities.**

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State and of [^{F2}Scottish Water] when exercising their respective functions or powers under or by virtue of this Act—

- (a) to promote the conservation and effective use of the water resources of, and the provision of adequate water supplies throughout, Scotland; and
- (b) to secure the collection, preparation, publication and dissemination of information and statistics relating to such resources and supplies.]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 1 substituted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 39, s. 65(1) (with s. 74(4)); S.I. 1996/323, art. 4(1)(a), Sch. 1

F2 Words in s. 1 substituted (1.4.2002) by Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp 3), s. 71(1), Sch. 6 para. 2 (with s. 67); S.S.I. 2002/118, art. 2(3)

Changes to legislation:

Water (Scotland) Act 1980, Section 1 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 24(1A) inserted by [2003 asp 3 sch. 4 para. 3\(3\)](#)
- s. 110A certain functions transferred by [S.I. 1999/1750 art. 3Sch. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 110A by 1995 c. 25, Sch. 21 para. 5 has not yet been brought into force)
- s. 110A inserted by [1995 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 5](#)
- s. 110A(7) words substituted by [1997 c. 11 Sch. 2 para. 30\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 110A by 1995 c. 25, Sch. 21 para. 5 has not yet been brought into force)
- s. 110A(8) words substituted by [1997 c. 11 Sch. 2 para. 30\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 110A by 1995 c. 25, Sch. 21 para. 5 has not yet been brought into force)
- Sch. 3 para. 4(3)(4) inserted by [2003 asp 3 sch. 4 para. 4\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 6(1A) inserted by [2003 asp 3 sch. 4 para. 4\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 4 s. 34(3) inserted by [2003 asp 3 sch. 4 para. 5](#)