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**REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE**

**REDISTRIBUTION OF SEATS**

**The Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Central Fife  
and Kirkcaldy) Order 1973**

*Laid before Parliament in draft*

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>18th April 1973</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>2nd May 1973</i>

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the 18th day of April 1973

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas under section 2(3) of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act 1949(a) the Boundary Commission for Scotland have submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated 21st December 1972 with respect to the areas comprised in certain constituencies in Scotland and showing the constituencies into which they recommend, in accordance with the provisions of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Acts 1949 and 1958(b), that the areas should be divided:

And whereas the Secretary of State has laid the said report before Parliament together with the draft of this Order in Council to give effect to recommendations contained in the report and each House of Parliament has by resolution approved the said draft:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act 1949, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Central Fife and Kirkcaldy) Order 1973.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

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(a) 1949 c. 66.  
(c) 1889 c. 63.

(b) 1958 c. 26.

(3) This Order shall come into operation on the fourteenth day after the day on which it is made:

Provided that the coming into operation of this Order shall not affect any Parliamentary election until a proclamation is issued by Her Majesty summoning a new Parliament or affect the constitution of the House of Commons until the dissolution of the Parliament in being on the day on which this Order comes into operation.

2. In lieu of the county constituencies of Central Fife and Kirkcaldy described in Part II of the Schedule to the Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) Order 1970(a) and specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Order there shall be substituted the county constituencies described in Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

3. The electoral registration officer for Fife shall make such re-arrangement or adaptation of the registers of parliamentary electors as may be necessary to give effect to this Order.

*W. G. Agnew.*

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(a) S.I. 1970/1680 (1970 III, p. 5538).

## SCHEDULE

## FIFE

## PART I

Existing constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on 1st January 1969

Name	County or Burgh Constituency	Contents
Central Fife	County	(1) The burghs of Cowdenbeath, Leslie, Lochgelly and Markinch.  (2) the districts of Glenrothes and Lochgelly and the electoral divisions of Markinch North and Markinch South in the district of Kirkcaldy.
Kirkcaldy	County	(1) The burghs of Kirkcaldy, Buckhaven and Methil, Burntisland and Kinghorn.  (2) the district of Kirkcaldy in so far as not included in the Central Fife constituency and the district of Wemyss in so far as not included in the East Fife constituency.

## PART II

New constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on 21st December 1972 (being a date subsequent to an alteration in the boundaries of the burgh of Buckhaven and Methil effected by a deliverance of the Sheriff of Fife and Kinross dated 22nd March 1971)

Name	County or Burgh Constituency	Contents
Central Fife	County	(1) The burghs of Cowdenbeath, Leslie, Lochgelly and Markinch.  (2) The districts of Glenrothes and Lochgelly and the electoral divisions of Markinch North and Markinch South in the district of Kirkcaldy.
Kirkcaldy	County	(1) The burghs of Kirkcaldy, Buckhaven and Methil, Burntisland and Kinghorn.  (2) The district of Kirkcaldy is so far as not included in the Central Fife constituency and the district of Wemyss excluding the electoral divisions of Kennoway and Scoonie (which electoral divisions are included in the East Fife constituency)

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