

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the Regulations)

Section 6AA of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959 enables an applicant for building warrant under section 6 of the Act to submit with his application a certificate issued by a prescribed person certifying that the design of the building complies with prescribed provisions of the building standards regulations. Such a certificate must be accepted by the local authority as conclusive of the facts to which it relates.

These Regulations prescribe—

- (a) regulation 11 of the Building Standards (Scotland) Regulations 1990, dealing with structure, as a provision in relation to which a certificate may be submitted (regulation 2); and
- (b) as persons entitled to issue such certificates, suitably qualified civil and structural engineers who have themselves prepared the necessary design calculations or are satisfied that such calculations have been properly prepared (regulation 3).

Regulation 4 amends the Building (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 in relation to the plans and specifications required to be lodged with an application for building warrant where a design certificate is also being submitted. Regulation 5 makes consequential amendment to the Building (Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 by substituting Form 4 (application for warrant) and inserting new Forms 4A and 4B (structural design certificates).