SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 477 (C. 27)

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Commencement No. 2) Order 2003

Made - - - - 2nd October 2003

The Scottish Ministers in exercise of the powers conferred by section 75(1) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002(**1**), hereby make the following Order:

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Commencement No. 2) Order 2003.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "the Act" shall mean the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Commencement

3.—(1) Sections 55, 56, 63, 66 and 68 of the Act shall come into force on 31st October 2003.

(2) Section 9 of the Act shall come into force on 31st October 2003 but only for the purpose of the making of regulations by the Scottish Ministers under section 9(4) of that Act.

(3) Section 23 of the Act shall come into force on 31st October 2003 except that the duties on public authorities imposed by section 23(1) to (4) shall not apply–

(a) to those public authorities listed in Parts 4 and 5 of schedule 1 to that Act, until 1st December 2003; and

(b) to those public authorities listed in Part 7 of schedule 1 to that Act, until 1st March 2004.

(4) Sections 50, 51, 53 and 54 of the Act shall come into force on 31st October 2003 but only for the purpose of the processing of publication schemes required under section 23 of that Act.

(**1**) 2002 asp 13.