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POLICE

The Police and Police (Special Constables) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2003

Made - - - -	*17th January 2003*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament - - - -	*20th January 2003*
Coming into force - -	*3rd February 2003*

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 26 of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967(**1**) and section 82(4) of the Police Reform Act 2002(**2**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf and after taking into consideration any representations made by the Police Advisory Board for Scotland following the submission of a draft of the Regulations in accordance with section 26(9) of the said Act of 1967, hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Police and Police (Special Constables) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 3rd February 2003.

Amendment of regulation 6 of the Police (Scotland) Regulations 1976

2. In regulation 6 of the Police (Scotland) Regulations 1976(**3**) (qualifications for appointment of constables)–

(a) after paragraph (a) there is inserted–

"(aa) if not a national of a State which is a Contracting Party(**4**) to the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992(**5**) as

(**1**) 1967 c. 77; section 26(9) was amended by the Police Negotiating Board Act 1980 (c. 10), section 2(4) and by the Police Act 1996 (c. 16) ("the 1996 Act"), Schedule 7, paragraph 14(3); section 26(1A) and (10) was inserted by the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (c. 60), section 111; section 26(1) was amended by the Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994 (c. 29) ("the 1994 Act"), section 53(1); section 26(2) was amended by the 1994 Act, sections 47(5) and 52(2) and Schedule 9 and by the 1996 Act, Schedule 7, paragraph 14(2); section 26(2B) was inserted by the 1994 Act, section 52(3); section 26(7) was repealed by the 1994 Act, section 52(4) and Schedule 9. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).

(**2**) 2002 c. 30.

(**3**) S.I.1976/1073 relevantly amended by S.I. 1992/3170.

(**4**) The current members of the European Economic Area are Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.