



# Local Government Act 1988

## CHAPTER 9

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1988

#### PART I

#### COMPETITION

##### *Preliminary*

- 1 Defined authorities.
- 2 Defined activities.
- 3 Other definitions.

##### *Works contracts: restrictions*

- 4 Works contracts: restrictions.
- 5 Works contracts: transitional.

##### *Functional work: restrictions*

- 6 Functional work: restrictions.
- 7 The conditions.
- 8 The conditions: further provisions.

##### *Accounts, reports and information*

- 9 Accounts to be kept.
- 10 Financial objectives to be met.
- 11 Report for financial year.
- 12 Information.

##### *Sanctions*

- 13 Notice for purpose of getting information.

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- 14 Power to give directions.

*Miscellaneous*

- 15 Orders, regulations, specifications and directions.  
16 Supplementary.

**PART II**

PUBLIC SUPPLY OR WORKS CONTRACTS

- 17 Local and other public authority contracts: exclusion of non-commercial considerations.  
18 Race relations matters.  
19 Provisions supplementary to or consequential on section 17.  
20 Duty of public authorities to give reasons for certain decisions within section 17.  
21 Transitional duty of public authorities as regards existing lists.  
22 Exclusion of charges for inclusion in approved list.  
23 Commencement.

**PART III**

PRIVATELY LET HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

- 24 Power to provide financial assistance for privately let housing accommodation.  
25 Consent required for provision of financial assistance etc.  
26 Consents under section 25.

**PART IV**

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

*Miscellaneous*

- 27 Local authority publicity.  
28 Prohibition on promoting homosexuality by teaching or by publishing material.  
29 Local government administration.  
30 Additional powers for auditors of local authorities etc.  
31 Land held by public bodies.  
32 Direct labour organisations.  
33 Local authority companies.  
34 Arrangements under Employment and Training Act 1973.  
35 Amendment of Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.  
36 Commutation of smallholdings payments.  
37 Dog registration scheme.  
38 Abolition of duty on dog licences.  
39 Control of stray dogs.

*General*

- 40 Finance.  
41 Repeals.  
42 Citation and extent.

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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1 — Competition

#### *Collection of refuse*

- 1 (1) ... The following (and only the following) fall within...

#### *Cleaning of buildings*

- 2 (1) The cleaning of the windows of any building (whether...

#### *Other cleaning*

- 3 (1) The following (and only the following) fall within section...

#### *Catering: schools and welfare*

- 4 (1) The following (and only the following) fall within section...

#### *Other catering*

- 5 (1) The following (and only the following) fall within section...

#### *Maintenance of ground*

- 6 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, the following (and only...  
6A Supervision of parking

#### *Repair and maintenance of vehicles*

- 7 (1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph, the...  
7A Management of vehicles

#### *Managing sports and leisure facilities*

- 8 (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3), managing any of...  
9 Housing management  
10 Security work  
11 Legal services  
12 Construction and property services

#### *FINANCIAL SERVICES*

- 13 (1) The provision of services consisting of, or provided for...

#### *INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES*

- 14 (1) The provision of information technology services falls within section...

#### *PERSONNEL SERVICES*

- 15 (1) Provision of the following services (and only the following)...

### SCHEDULE 2 — Public Supply or Works Contracts: The Public Authorities

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## Public authorities

### Interpretation

In the application of this Schedule to England and Wales,...

In the application of this Schedule to Scotland—

## SCHEDULE 3 — Local Government Administration

### *Local Government Act 1974 (c. 7)*

- 1 Part III of the Local Government Act 1974 (local government...
- 2 (1) In section 23(12) (Commissions to review operation of certain...
- 3 (1) Section 24 (representative bodies) shall be amended as follows...
- 4 In section 25(1) (authorities subject to investigation) after “applies to”...
- 5 (1) Section 26 (matters subject to investigation) shall be amended...
- 6 (1) Section 30 (reports on investigations) shall be amended as...
- 7 (1) Section 31 (reports: further provisions) shall be amended as...
- 8 (1) Section 32 (defamation and disclosure) shall be amended as...
- 9 (1) In paragraph 4(5) of Schedule 4 (functions of a...
- 10 The following shall be inserted at the end of Schedule...

### *Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 (c. 30)*

- 11 Part II of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 (local...
- 12 In section 23 (authorities subject to investigation) in subsection (1)...
- 13 (1) In section 24 (matters subject to investigation)—
- 14 In section 28(7) (reports on investigations) the words “about its...
- 15 In section 29 (reports on investigations: further provisions) in subsection...
- 16 In section 30 (defamation and disclosure) in subsection (1)(c) for...
- 17 (1) In Schedule 4 (functions of the Commissioner, other than...

## SCHEDULE 4 — Sections to be Inserted in Part III of Local Government Finance Act 1982

- 25A Power of auditor to issue prohibition order.
- 25B Effect of and appeals against prohibition orders.
- 25C Supplementary provisions as to prohibition orders.
- 25D Power of auditor to apply for judicial review.

## SCHEDULE 5 — Land Held by Public Bodies

- 1 Part X of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act...
- 2 (1) The following shall be inserted after section 96— Information...
- 3 The following shall be substituted for section 97 (Secretary of...
- 4 (1) Section 98 (directions to dispose of land) shall be...
- 5 (1) Section 99 (directions: supplementary) shall be amended as follows....
- 6 The following shall be inserted after section 99— Power of...

## SCHEDULE 6 — Direct Labour Organisations

### *Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65)*

- 1 Direct Labour Organisations
- 2 Direct Labour Organisations

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*Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 (c. 30)*

- 11 Direct Labour Organisations

SCHEDULE 7 — Repeals

- Part I — PUBLIC SUPPLY OR WORKS CONTRACTS
- Part II — LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
- Part III — DIRECT LABOUR ORGANISATIONS
- Part IV — DOG LICENCES

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 7(3)(a) repealed by [1992 c. 19 s. 29Sch. 4 Pt. 1](#)
- s. 17(1) power to amend conferred by [2023 c. 54 s. 116\(2\)\(3\)](#)
- s. 17(11) words inserted by [2023 c. 54 s. 116\(1\)](#)

**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. 1(1)(ga) inserted by [2005 asp 12 Sch. 1 para. 16\(3\)](#)