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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 244 (C. 34)**

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE**

The Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act  
2004 (Commencement No. 8) Order 2015

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>3rd June 2015</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>	- - - -	<i>5th June 2015</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st July 2015</i>

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 25 of the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (Commencement No. 8) Order 2015 and comes into force on 1st July 2015.

**Day appointed**

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of section 10 of the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (application of vulnerable witnesses provisions to proceedings in the district court) is 1st July 2015.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh  
3rd June 2015

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A member of the Scottish Government

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(1) 2004 asp 3.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force section 10 of the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (“the Act”) on 1st July 2015 (article 2).

The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 14th April 2004.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The following provisions of the Act have been brought into force by commencement order made before the date of this Order.

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.S.I. No.</i>
Sections 1 (partially), 2 (partially), 3 (partially), 4, 5, 6 (partially), 7(1) and (3) (partially), 8 (partially), 11(1)(a), (3) and (5) (partially), 12(1) to (4) (partially), 13 (partially), 14 (partially), 15 (partially), 16 (partially), 17(1) and (2) (partially), 18 (partially), 20 (partially), 21 (partially), 22 (partially), 23 and 24	1st April 2005	<a href="#">2005/168</a>
Sections 1 (partially), 3 (partially), 11(1)(a), (3) and (5) (partially), 12(1) to (4) (partially), 13 (partially), 14 (partially), 15 (partially), 16 (partially), 17(2) (partially), 18(1)(a) to 18(1)(e) (partially), 18(2) (partially), 19 (partially), 20 (partially), 21 (partially) and 22 (partially)	30th November 2005	<a href="#">2005/590</a>
Sections 1 (partially), 2 (partially), 3 (partially), 6 (partially), 7(1) and (3) (partially), 11 (partially), 12 (partially), 13 (partially), 14 (partially), 15 (partially), 16 (partially), 17(2) (partially), 18(1)(a) to 18(1)(e) (partially), 18(2) (partially), 19 (partially), 20 (partially), 21 (partially) and 22 (partially)	1st April 2006	<a href="#">2006/59</a>
Sections 1 (partially), 2(5) (partially), 3 (partially), 6 (partially), 8 (partially) and 9 (partially)	1st April 2007	<a href="#">2007/101</a>
Sections 1 (partially) and 3 (partially)	2nd July 2007	<a href="#">2007/329</a>
Sections 11 to 17 (insofar as not already commenced), 18(1)(a) (partially), 18(1)(b) to (e) and (2) (insofar as not already commenced), 19 (partially) and 20 to 22 (insofar as not already commenced)	1st November 2007	<a href="#">2007/447</a>

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<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.S.I. No.</i>
section 1, section 2 (other than subsections (2) and (3)), section 3, section 6, and section 9.	1st April 2008	<a href="#">2008/57</a>