

Disability Access and Facilities Statements – Information Note.

Section 20 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 (“the 2005 Act”) requires that an application for an alcohol premises licence be accompanied by an operating plan, a layout plan and any certificates required under section 50(1) of the 2005 Act. Section 179 of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (“the 2010 Act”) amended section 20 of the 2005 Act to require that a disabled access and facilities statement must also be included with such applications.

The Premises Licence (Scotland) Regulations 2007 (“the 2007 Regulations”) detail that a disabled access and facilities statement is to be in the attached form.

The amended regulations come into force on 30th March 2018 and all applications for a premises licence will require to be accompanied by a disability access and facilities statement from that date. Any application submitted after that date without such a statement will not be considered a valid application and will not be processed until such times as the statement is attached.