

The Inquiries Into Fatal Accidents And Sudden Deaths Etc. (Scotland) Act 2016 – reporting requirement

The Scottish Ministers are required under section 29 of the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016 (“the 2016 Act”) to report on inquiries that concluded in the previous financial year.

The statistics for the period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020 for Fatal Accident Inquiries under the 2016 Act are as follows.

- Number of FAIs that ended during the year: 54
- Number in which recommendations requiring a response were made: 5
- Number of such recommendations made: 27
- Number of such recommendations in relation to which a response was received by SCTS under section 28(1): 27
- Number of such recommendations in relation to which a notice was published by SCTS under section 28(7) (signalling that no response was received): none

All 2016 Act determinations, recommendations and responses are accessible from the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service web portal at:
<http://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/sheriff-court/fatal-accidents>.