In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section two as read with the proviso to subsection (2) of section nine of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(a), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following Regulations:

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Civil Defence (Fire Services) (Scotland) Regulations, 1949, and shall come into operation on the fourteenth day after the day on which the draft thereof has been approved by Parliament.

(2) These Regulations shall apply to Scotland only.

2. In these Regulations—

(1) “civil defence” means forms of civil defence which may from time to time be recognised by the Secretary of State as appropriate to be undertaken by fire brigades and their members;

“fire authority” means an authority (including a fire area joint committee) for the time being administering a fire brigade under the Fire Services Act, 1947(b);

“organising” includes maintaining, equipping and training.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. It shall be the function of every fire authority to organise the fire brigade maintained for their area under the Fire Services Act, 1947, for the purposes of civil defence.

4. Without prejudice to the generality of the preceding Regulation it shall be the function of every fire authority:

(i) to employ additional persons as members of the fire brigade for the purposes of civil defence and in particular to enrol auxiliary firemen as members of the fire brigade for service therein which is restricted except in a war emergency to such duties as are desirable for training;

(ii) to organise members of the fire brigade with a view to their taking part in civil defence;

(iii) to make plans for the taking of all reasonable measures to ensure that an adequate supply of water will be available for use in case of fire for the purposes of civil defence.

* A draft of these Regulations was approved by Resolution of the House of Commons, Wednesday, 2nd November, 1949 and the House of Lords, Tuesday, 15th November, 1949 in accordance with section 8 (3) of the Civil Defence Act, 1948.

(a) 12 & 13 Geo. 6. c. 5. (b) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 41. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
5. In carrying out the functions conferred on them by these Regulations the fire authority shall comply with any directions given from time to time by the Secretary of State.

Arthur Woodhurn,
One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh. 1.
18th November, 1949.

EXPLANATORY NOTE
(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations provide for the organisation, by fire authorities in Scotland, of their fire brigades for the purposes of Civil Defence, and for the employment, for these purposes, of additional and auxiliary members of the brigades.