



THE LAW SOCIETY OF SCOTLAND
QUALIFIED LAWYERS ASSESSMENT

LEGAL SYSTEM AND LEGAL METHOD

10 May 2021

0830 – 1000
(90 minutes)

All candidates must answer THREE questions.

Common law qualified candidates can answer ANY three questions out of four.

Non-common law qualified candidates can answer any TWO questions from question one to question three and **MUST** answer question FOUR which is compulsory.

All questions are marked out of 100 and are weighted equally.

Question 1

How has Scots law been 'preserved' and protected despite union with England?

Question 2

Explain fully the different ways in which the UK Supreme Court continues to impact on the Scottish legal system both before and after devolution in terms of dealing with cases from Scotland.

Question 3

With reference to the key personnel involved in the prosecution of crimes, their roles and how they interact with each other, explain fully how the criminal justice system operates in Scotland.

Question 4

Legislation is accepted as the most significant source of Scots law today. However, other sources are also very important. Explain what other, non-legislative sources, have contributed to Scots law, comment upon their relevance and authority within the legal system.

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