

SPSO decision report



Case: 201104453, Skills Development Scotland
Sector: Scottish Government and devolved administration
Subject: policy/administration
Outcome: not upheld, no recommendations

Summary

Mr C complained that a particular training course should not be broadly eligible for Individual Learning Account (ILA) Scotland funding because it was a statutory requirement for anyone employed in a particular industry. He said that clause 7 of ILA Scotland's Operational Rules states that learning which is a statutory requirement for the individual's employment is not eligible for this funding. Skills Development Scotland, however, advised Mr C that the eligibility for such funding in fact depended upon the nature of the individual applicant's employment.

Mr C disagreed with this and raised his complaint with us. We did not, however, uphold it as we agreed that the fact that a training course was a statutory requirement for those in particular jobs did not preclude those not employed in such roles from undertaking the training.