

Scotland Period Products (Free Provision) Act 2021

Gender Equality · Good practice · United Kingdom

Quality score: 63/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

The world's first law mandating free period products for all who need them. Scotland's Period Products (Free Provision) Act 2021 came into force in August 2022, covering schools, colleges, universities and public buildings, backed by £53M invested since 2018.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	0/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	0/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-06-23

[Scottish Government](#) — accessed 2026-06-23

[Scottish Government – Free Period Products Policy](#) — accessed 2026-06-23

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