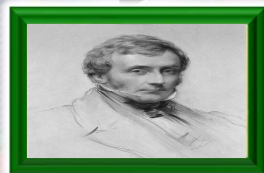




The Cholera Prevention (Scotland) Act 1832

1832

Professor William P Allison, the University of Edinburgh claimed that poverty was root cause of ill health and led to the reform of the poor laws



Public Health reform -Edwin Chadwick and Louis Pasteur - Living conditions, waste and water

1842

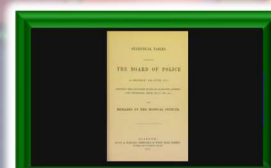
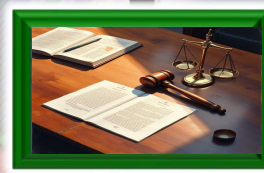
The Theatre Royal Glasgow Disaster (65 Fatalities)



The Nuisances Removal (Scotland) Act 1856 focused on improving living conditions

1856

Public Health was differentiated as a special function Municipal Group, nuisance Inspectors established



Glasgow Police has a new committee "The Sanitary Committee"

1862

1862

The Public Health (Scotland) Act 1867 provisions for the appointment of a sanitary inspector in each local authority



The first Chief Sanitary Inspector was appointed in the city of Glasgow

1870

Sanitary Inspectors Association of Scotland (Idea of John Welsh, Perth)

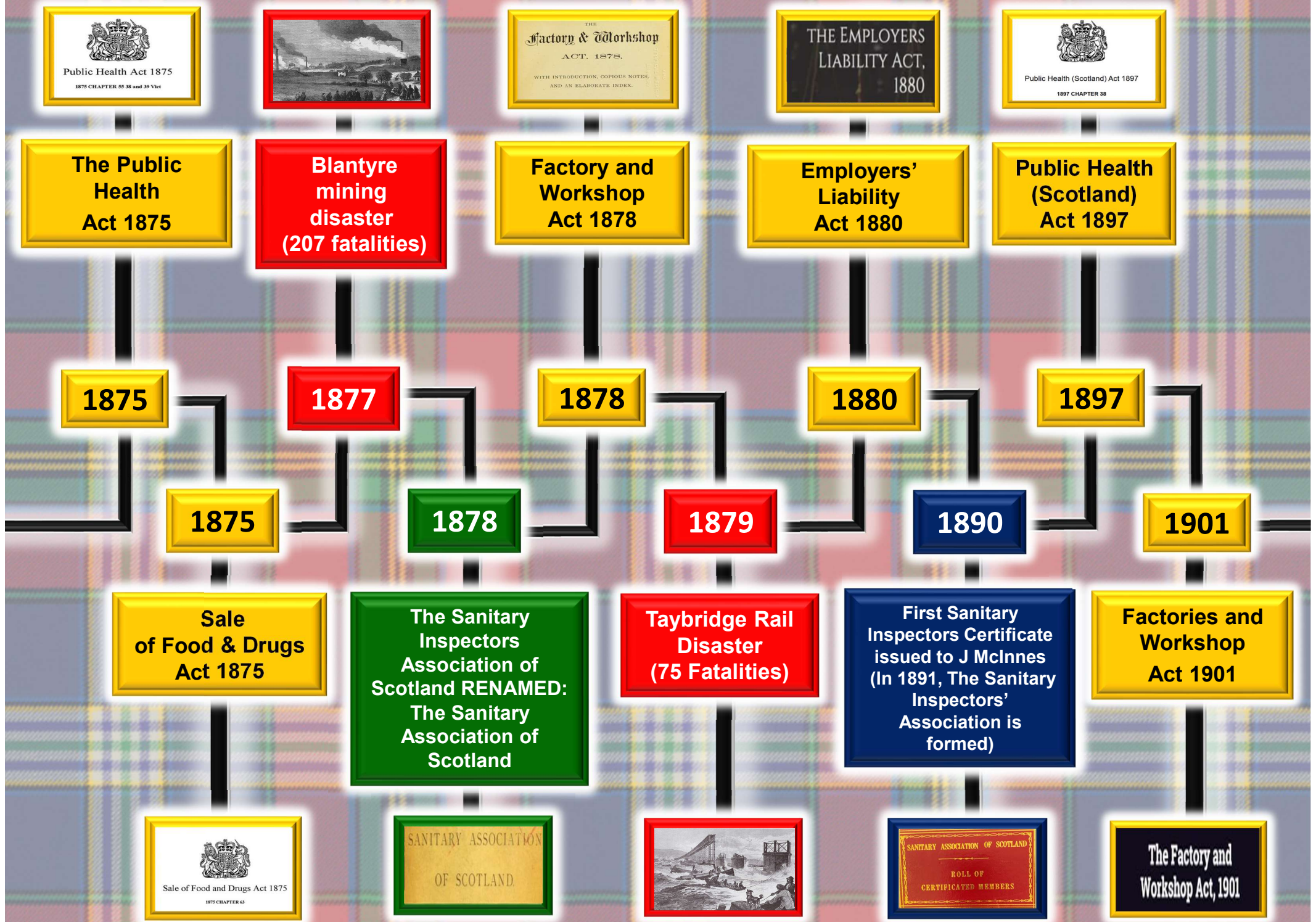


1840

1849

1867

1875





The Sanitary Association of Scotland becomes The Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland

World War I
1914-1918

Rats and Mice
(Destruction)
Act 1919

1000th SIAS
Certificate issued
to J Caldwell
Forbes

Housing
(Scotland)
Act 1925

1902

1914

1919

1922

1925

1909

1918

1919

1924

1928

First Certificate -
Inspection of Meat
and Other Foods
awarded to
William Somerville
(Certificate 1)

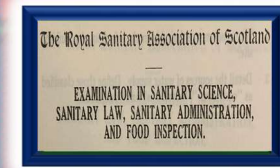
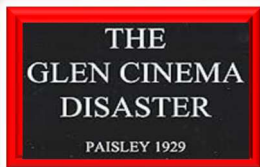
Great Influenza
epidemic or by the
common misnomer
Spanish flu
1918-1920

Ministry of
Health
Established

The Incorporated
Sanitary
Association of
Scotland
BECOMES: The
Royal Sanitary
Association of
Scotland

Discovery of
penicillin
Alexander
Fleming





**Glen Cinema
hogmanay
catastrophe at
Paisley in 1929
(71 fatalities)**

**Association
became
examining
body for
Health
Visitors**

**World War 2
1939-1945**

**Formation of the
Royal Society for
the Prevention of
Accidents
(RoSPA)**

**New Sanitary
Inspectors
syllabus
introduced
(4 years study)**

1929

1931

1939

1941

1947

1929

1933

1940

1946

1947

**The Local
Government
(Scotland)
Act 1929**

**The first Health
Visitors Certificate
awarded to Sophia
Reid Bennet
(Certificate 1)**

**Polio Epidemic
1940s marked a
period of
significant polio
outbreaks in
many parts of the
UK**

**RSAS
2500th
Certificate
issued to
R Gardner**

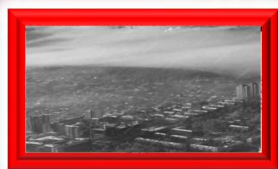
**The Local
Government
(Scotland)
Act 1947**





The Meat Inspectors Association of Scotland (M.I.A.S) was established

1947



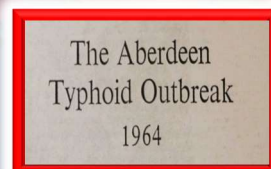
The Great Smog of London

1952



Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960

1960



Typhoid Outbreak in Aberdeen (23 fatalities)

1964



Scottish Certificate Course in Sanitary Science at Napier College, Edinburgh and Langside College Glasgow)

1968

1949

The Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949



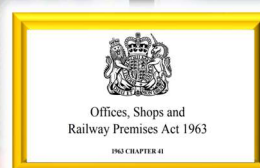
1953

Tuberculosis (TB) was a significant public health concern in the UK, though it was past its peak in terms of mortality



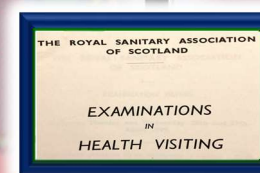
1963

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963



1965

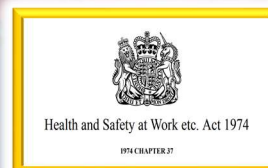
Last Health Visitors Certificate Awarded to Anne B Wright (Certificate 2122)



1968

Sewerage Scotland Act 1968





Housing (Scotland) Act 1969 which introduced the first definition of the Tolerable Standard

Ibrox Stadium Disaster (66 fatalities)

Scottish Institute of Environmental Health (SIEH) set up (formerly The Sanitary Inspectors Association of Scotland (SIAS))

The Health & Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

Health and Safety Executive (HSE) Formed

1969

1971

1973

1974

1975

1971

1972

1973

1974

1975

The Fire Precautions Act 1971

Warehouse Fire in Kilbirnie Street, Glasgow (7 Fatalities) All Fire Service Personnel

UK Joined European Economic Community (EEC) a precursor to the European Union

Control of Pollution Act 1974

University of Strathclyde BSc (Hons) in Environmental Health





**The Safety at
Sports Grounds
Act 1975**

1975

**The Association
of Meat Inspectors
formed, Merger
M.I.A.S 1947
A.M.I 1964
F.P.I. 1978**



**The SIEH
became a
registered
charity**

1980

1980

**Water
(Scotland)
Act 1980**



**First known
case of shiga
toxin-
producing
e.coli (STEC)**

1982

**Civic Government
(Scotland)
Act 1982**



**REHIS Formed by
merging RSAS and
SIEH
REHIS Office 62
Virginia Street,
Glasgow**

1983

1982

**Stanley Royd
Hospital,
Wakefield
Salmonella
food poisoning
outbreak
(19 Fatalities)**



**Food
Act 1984
NHS Crown
Immunity for
kitchens
removed**

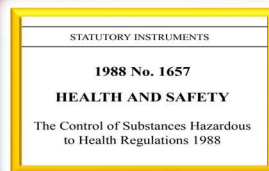
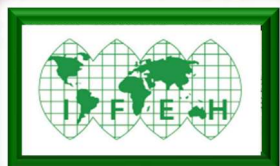
1984

1984

**Outbreak of Bovine
Spongiform
Encephalopathy
(BSE) in the UK,
which had
significant public
health
repercussions**



1985



Bradford City FC
Fire broke out in the main stand
(56 Fatalities)

The International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) established

Kings Cross underground station fire
(31 fatalities)

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations 1988

Hillsborough disaster
(97 fatalities)

1985

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1987

1988

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1988

1989

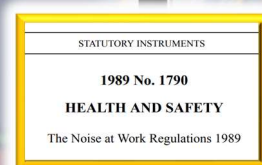
Chernobyl nuclear reactor explosion released large amounts radioactive material into atmosphere across Europe

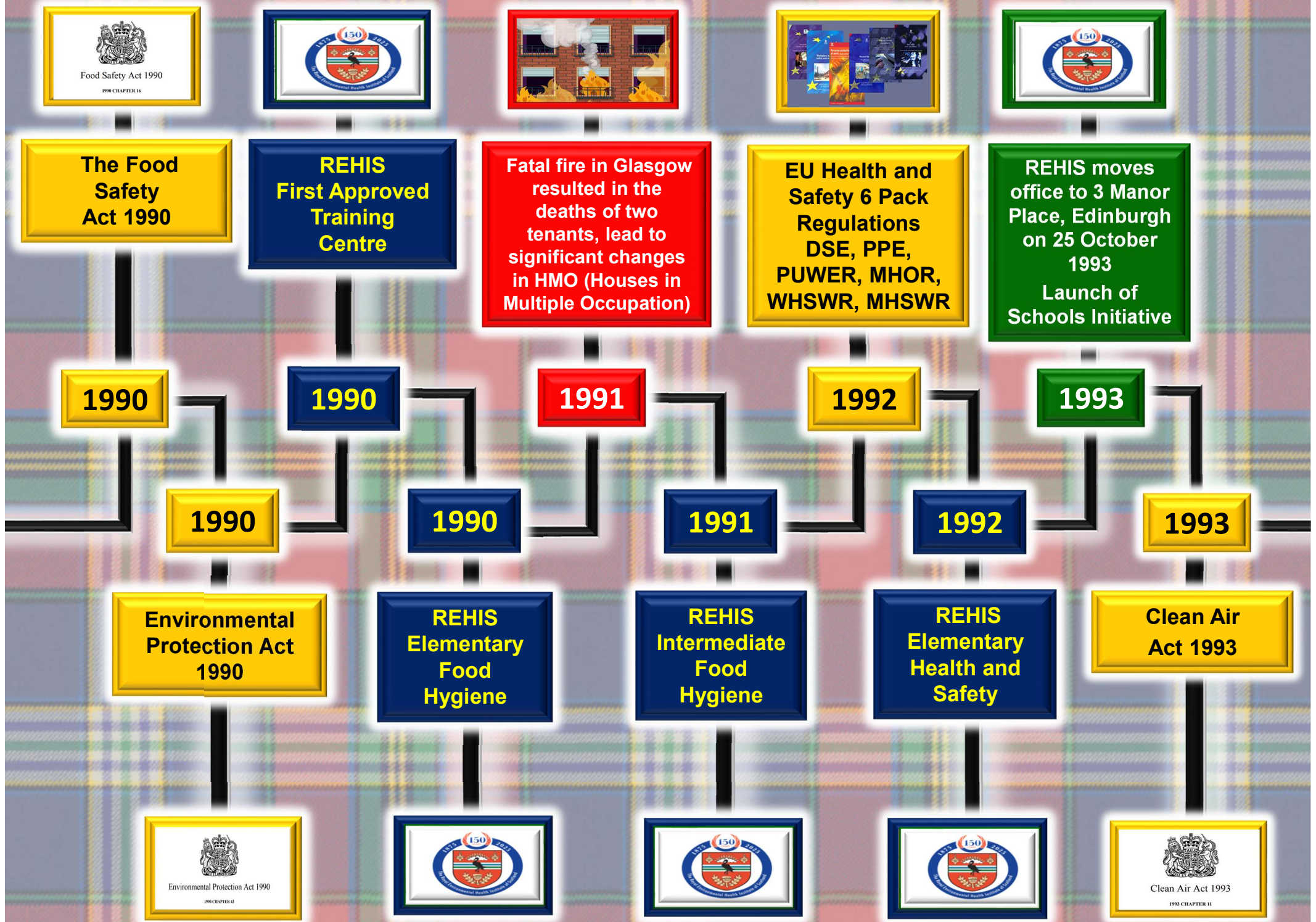
Housing (Scotland) Act 1987
Tolerable Standard

REHIS Diploma in Advanced Food Hygiene

Piper Alpha oil installation fire and explosion
(167 fatalities)

Noise at Work Regulations 1989







**REHIS
Advanced
Health & Safety**

**University of
Edinburgh BSc
(Hons) in
Environmental
Health**

**SEPA
(Scottish
Environment
Protection
Agency) formed**

**SFSORB
Higher
Certificate in
Food
Premises
Inspection**

**Last Certificate
Inspection of
Meat and other
foods awarded to
Maxine Mearns
(Certificate 2192)**

1993

1995

1996

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1997

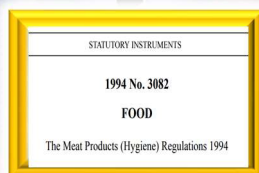
**The Meat
Product
(Hygiene)
Regulations
1994**

**Environment
Act 1995**

**REHIS
Intermediate
Certificate in
HACCP for Food
Manufacturing**

**John Barr butcher
E.coli O157
outbreak
(21 Fatalities)**

**Diploma in the
Inspection of
Red Meat,
White Meat and
Other Foods
introduced**





Private Water Supplies (Scotland) Regulations 1998

REHIS 4000th Diploma in EH Certificate issued to J Callaghan

SFSORB Higher Certificate in Food Standards Inspection

Foot and Mouth disease outbreak in the UK caused a crisis in British agriculture and tourism

Chartered EHO status granted

1998

1998

1999

2001

2003

1998

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2001

2001

2003

SFSORB Ordinary Certificate in Food Premises Inspection

Devolved Scottish Parliament formed

REHIS becomes incorporated by Royal Charter

Diploma in the Inspection of Red Meat, White Meat and Other Foods last certificate issued

Dog Fouling (Scotland) Act 2003





**ICL Stockline
Plastics
Gas pipe
explosion
(9 Fatalities)**

**The Antisocial
Behaviour etc
(Scotland)
Act 2004**

**Smoking, Health
and Social Care
(Scotland)
Act 2005**

**Licensing
(Scotland)
Act 2005**

**Deed of
Partnership and
Twinning signed
with Association
of Public Health
Inspectors of
Cyprus**

2004

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2006

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2005

2005

2006

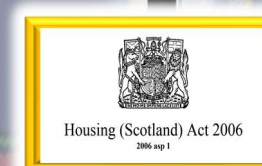
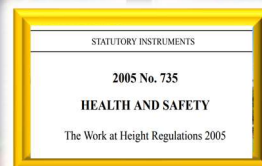
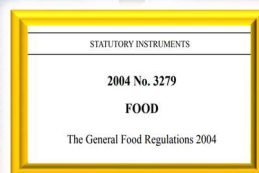
**The General
Food
Regulations
2004**

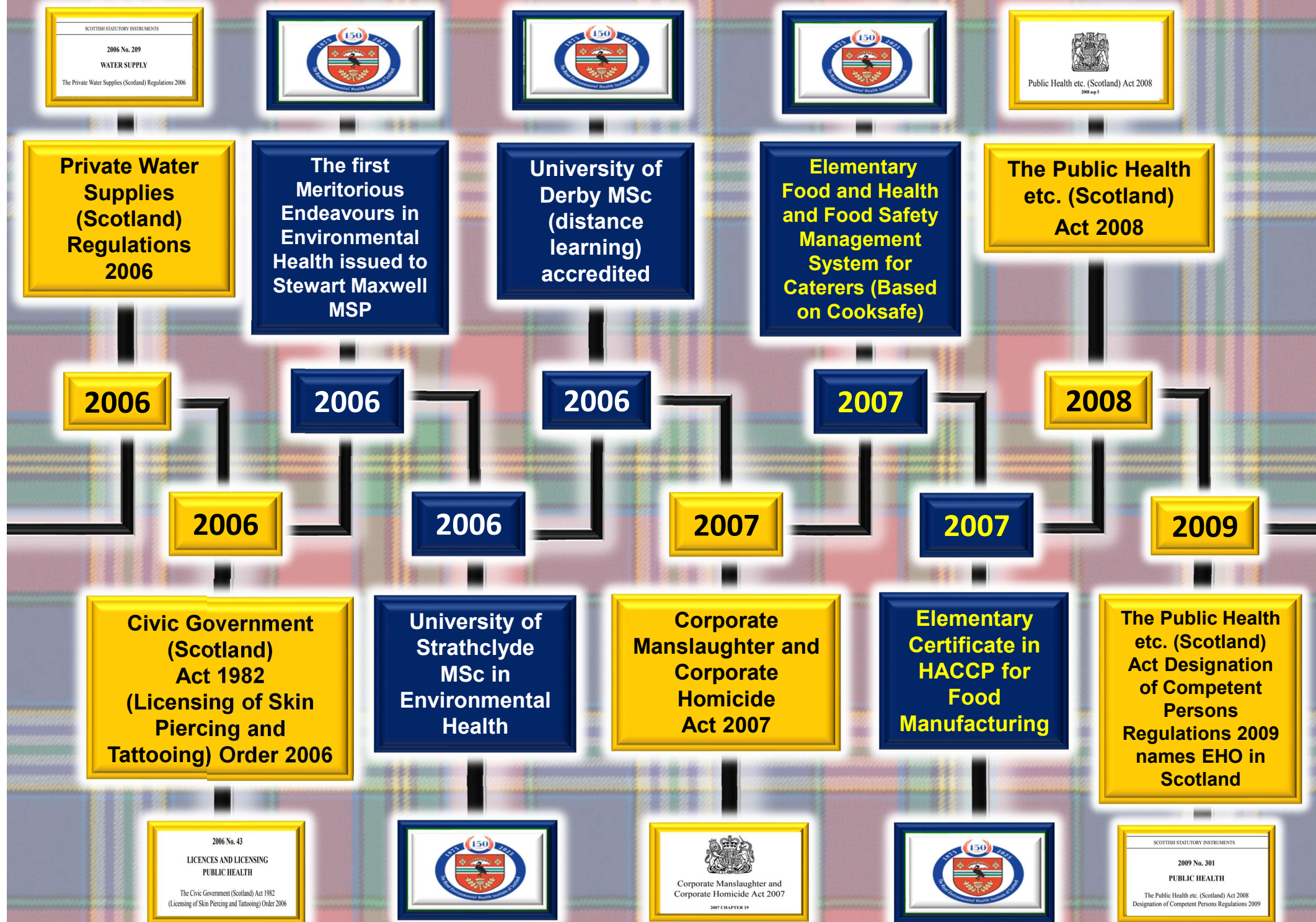
**Work at
Height
Regulations
2005**

**Charities and
Trustee
Investment
Act 2005**

**REHIS
Elementary
Certificate in
HACCP for Food
Manufacturing**

**The Housing
(Scotland)
Act 2006
"Repairing
Standard"**







**REHIS
Elementary
Prevention
and Control of
Infection**

**Criminal Justice
and Licensing
Scotland
Act 2010
Control of Dogs
(Scotland)
Act 2010**

**OSHCR
(Occupational
Safety and Health
Consultants
Register)
established**

**The first
President's
Award awarded
to The Engine
Shed**

**REHIS
Elementary
Cooking
Skills**

2009

2010

2012

2013

2013

2010

2011

2012

2013

2014

**REHIS
purchased and
moved office to
19 Torphichen
Street,
Edinburgh on 1
March 2010**

**Regulation (EU) No
1169/2011 food
information to
consumers included
a list of 14 food
allergies -
intolerances**

**University of
West of
Scotland BSc in
Environmental
Health**

**Deed of
Partnership and
Twinning signed
with Malawi
Environmental
Health
Association**

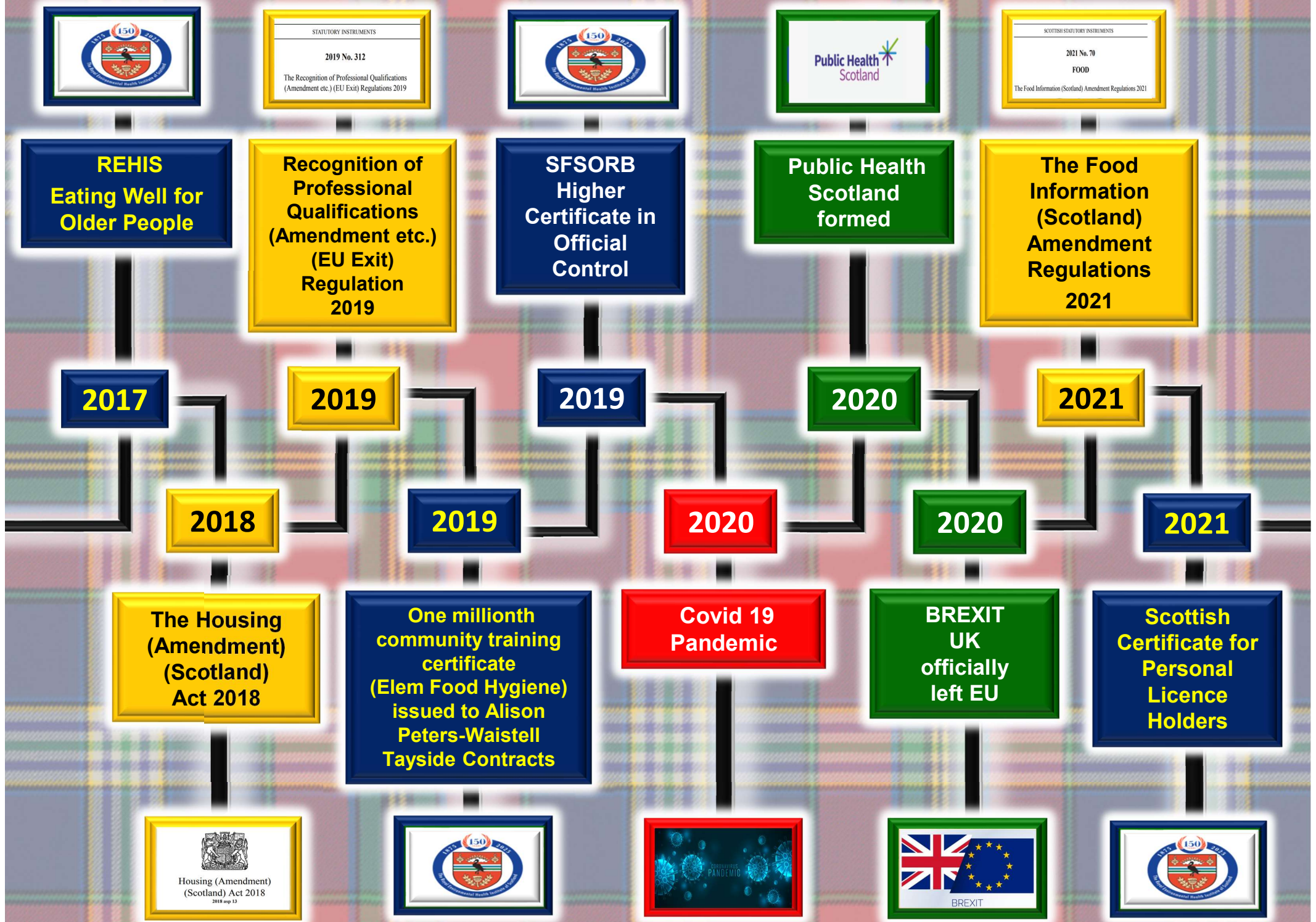
**Glasgow Bin
Lorry collided
with pedestrians
in city centre of
Glasgow
(6 Fatalities)**



**EU-Food Information
Regulation 1169/2011
Implementing Measures
by Member States**









**SFSORB
Higher
Certificate in
Food Practice**

**REHIS
Chartered EHO
and EHO on the
Regulated
Professions
Register under
Chartered Body**

**REHIS
Certificate of
Equivalence
(to practice as
an EHO via
the alternative
route)**

**REHIS
Mental Health
First Aid**

**Abertay
University MSc
in Environmental
Health**

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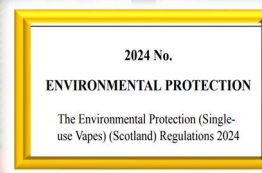
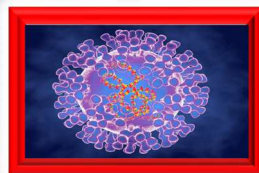
**MPOX
(Monkey Pox)
Global
Outbreak**

**Large post-covid
global surge in
common
communicable
diseases**

**The
Environmental
Protection
(Single-use
Vapes) (Scotland)
Regulations 2024**

**REHIS
4320th
Diploma in
EH Certificate
issued to
M Torrance**

**REHIS
Celebrates
its 150th
Anniversary**



The Royal Environmental Health Institute for Scotland

150th Anniversary Timeline



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