



Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act 2003

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PART 6

RIGHTS OF CERTAIN PERSONS WHERE TENANT IS A PARTNERSHIP

70 Rights of certain persons where tenant is a partnership

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to—
- (a) a 1991 Act tenancy if the lease constituting the tenancy is entered into on or after the coming into force of this section; and
 - (b) a tenancy under a lease constituting a short limited duration tenancy ^[F1], a limited duration tenancy, a modern limited duration tenancy or a repairing tenancy],
- where the tenant is a partnership.
- (2) Where this subsection applies and—
- (a) any partner is—
 - (i) the landlord or an associate of the landlord; or
 - (ii) a partnership or a company in which the landlord has a relevant interest; and
 - (b) there is any other partner,
- subsections (3) and (4) apply.
- (3) Where this subsection applies, any partner not mentioned in subsection (2)(a) may exercise or enforce any right of a tenant conferred by virtue of this Act or the 1991 Act as if the partner were the tenant in the partner's own right.
- (4) Where this subsection applies, if the tenancy purports to be terminated as a consequence of—
- (a) the dissolution of the partnership—
 - (i) in accordance with the partnership agreement; or
 - (ii) due to the actings of any partner mentioned in subsection (2)(a);
 - (b) the renunciation of the tenancy by such a partner; or
 - (c) a breach of the tenancy by such a partner,
- subsection (5) applies.

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- (5) Where this subsection applies, notwithstanding the purported termination of the tenancy—
- (a) the tenancy continues to have effect; and
 - (b) any partner not mentioned in subsection (2)(a) becomes the tenant (or a joint tenant) under the tenancy in the partner's own right,
- if the partner gives notice to the landlord in accordance with subsection (6).
- (6) Notice is given in accordance with this subsection if—
- (a) it is in writing;
 - (b) it is given within 28 days of the purported termination of the tenancy; and
 - (c) it states that the partner intends to become the tenant (or a joint tenant) under the tenancy in the partner's own right.
- (7) For the purposes of this section and section 72, a landlord has a relevant interest in a partnership or company if the landlord or an associate of the landlord is—
- (a) a partner in the partnership;
 - (b) a partner in a partnership which forms part of the partnership;
 - (c) a shareholder in the company; or
 - (d) the holder of a standard security or floating charge over an interest in a tenancy where the partnership or the company is a partner in the tenant.
- (8) For the purposes of this section and section 72, a person is an associate of a landlord if the person is—
- (a) where the landlord is a partnership or a company, a partner in the landlord or, as the case may be, a shareholder of the landlord;
 - (b) where an associate of the landlord is a partnership or a company, a partner in or, as the case may be, a shareholder of that associate;
 - (c) an agent of the landlord or of an associate of the landlord; or
 - (d) a member of the landlord's family.
- (9) The Scottish Ministers may by order modify (either or both) subsections (7) and (8).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [s. 70\(1\)\(b\)](#) substituted (30.11.2017) by [Land Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(asp 18\)](#), s. 130(1), [sch. 2 para. 7\(26\)](#) (with s. 128); [S.S.I. 2017/299](#), reg. 2, sch. (with reg. 12)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 70(1)-(6) (9) in force at 27.11.2003 by [S.S.I. 2003/548](#), [art. 2\(f\)](#) (with Sch.)
- I2** S. 70(7)(8) in force at 22.5.2003 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2003/248](#), [art. 2](#)
- I3** S. 70(7)(8) in force at 1.7.2003 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2003/305](#), [art. 2](#)
- I4** S. 70(7)(8) in force at 27.11.2003 in so far as not already in force by [S.S.I. 2003/548](#), [art. 2\(f\)](#) (with Sch.)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 7C inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 93\(2\)](#)
- s. 7D inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 106\(2\)](#)
- s. 8F8G inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 94\(2\)](#)
- s. 16B inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 95\(2\)](#)
- s. 17A inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 96\(2\)](#)
- s. 18B inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 97\(2\)](#)
- s. 26(1)(1A) substituted for s. 26(1) by [2016 asp 18 s. 99\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 26(3) inserted by [2016 asp 18 s. 99\(4\)\(c\)](#)