



Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

1987 CHAPTER 26

PART I

PROVISION OF HOUSING

Management and allocation of local authority's houses

20 Persons to have priority on housing list and allocation of housing

- (1) A local authority shall, in relation to all houses held by them for housing purposes, secure that in the selection of their tenants a reasonable preference is given—
- (a) to persons who—
 - (i) are occupying houses which do not meet the tolerable standard; or
 - (ii) are occupying overcrowded houses; or
 - (iii) have large families; or
 - (iv) are living under unsatisfactory housing conditions; and
 - (b) to persons to whom they have a duty under sections 31 to 34 (homeless persons).
- (2) In the allocation of local authority housing a local authority—
- (a) shall take no account of—
 - (i) the length of time for which an applicant has resided in its area; or
 - (ii) any outstanding liability (for payment of rent or otherwise) attributable to the tenancy of any house of which the applicant is not, and was not when the liability accrued, a tenant; or
 - (iii) any of the matters mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) of section 19(1); and
 - (b) shall not impose a requirement—
 - (i) that an application must have remained in force for a minimum period; or
 - (ii) that a divorce or judicial separation be obtained; or

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(iii) that the applicant no longer be living with, or in the same house as, some other person,
before the applicant is eligible for the allocation of housing.