



Housing Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 52

PART I

[^{F1}SOCIAL RENTED SECTOR [^{F1}REGULATED BY THE WELSH MINISTERS]]

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REGISTERED SOCIAL LANDLORDS

Registration

3 Registration.

- (1) The [^{F1}Relevant Authority] may register as a social landlord [^{F2}any Welsh body] which is eligible for such registration.
- (2) An application for registration shall be made in such manner, and shall be accompanied by such fee (if any), as [^{F3}the Welsh Ministers] may determine.
- (3) As soon as may be after registering a body as a social landlord [^{F3}the Welsh Ministers] shall give notice of the registration—
 - (a) in the case of a registered charity, to the [^{F4}Charity Commission],
 - (b) in the case of [^{F5}a registered society], to the [^{F6}Financial Conduct Authority], and
 - (c) in the case of [^{F7}a company (including a company that is a registered charity)], to the registrar of companies,who shall record the registration.
- (4) [^{F8}A Welsh body] which at any time is, or was, registered as a social landlord shall, for all purposes other than rectification of the register, be conclusively presumed to be, or to have been, at that time a body eligible for registration as a social landlord.

Changes to legislation: *Housing Act 1996, Section 3 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 15 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes*

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Pt. 1 substituted (1.11.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 140, **Sch. 16 para. 82(1)(2)** (with ss. 139(2), 141(1), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2244, **art. 5**.
- F2** Words in s. 3(1) substituted (1.4.2010) by **Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17)**, **ss. 61(6)(a)**, 325(1); S.I. 2010/862, **art. 2** (with Sch.)
- F3** Words in Pt. I substituted (1.4.2010) by **Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17)**, **ss. 61(7)**, 325(1); S.I. 2010/862, **art. 2** (with Sch.)
- F4** Words in s. 3(3) substituted (27.2.2007) by **Charities Act 2006 (c. 50)**, s. 79(2), **Sch. 8 para. 184**; S.I. 2007/309, **art. 2**, Sch.
- F5** Words in Act substituted (1.8.2014) by Co-operative and **Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 (c. 14)**, s. 154, **Sch. 4 para. 56** (with Sch. 5)
- F6** Words in s. 3(3)(b) substituted (1.4.2013) by **The Financial Services Act 2012 (Mutual Societies) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/496)**, **art. 1(1)**, Sch. 11 para. 5(1)(2)(a) (with Sch. 12)
- F7** Words in s. 3(3)(c) substituted (1.10.2009) by **The Companies Act 2006 (Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/1941)**, **art. 1(2)**, **Sch. 1 para. 161(3)(a)** (with art. 10)
- F8** Words in s. 3(4) substituted (1.4.2010) by **Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17)**, **ss. 61(6)(b)**, 325(1); S.I. 2010/862, **art. 2** (with Sch.)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 1: The system of "registered social landlords" under this Part is replaced (8.9.2008 for specified purposes and 1.12.2008, 16.2.2009, 1.4.2009, 7.9.2009 and 1.4.2010 for further purposes) by **Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17)**, Pt. 2. This Part continues to apply in relation to Wales with certain provisions applied in relation to England and certain provisions preserved although they apply to England only, see s. 60 of the affecting Act; S.I. 2008/2358, **art. 3**; S.I. 2008/3068, **art. 3** (with arts. 6-13); S.I. 2009/363, **art. 2**; S.I. 2009/803, **art. 7**; S.I. 2009/2096, **art. 2(1)**; S.I. 2010/862, **art. 2** (with Sch.)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 3 wholly in force 1.10.1996; s. 3 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 232(1)-(3); s. 3(2) in force for certain purposes at 1.8.1996 by S.I. 1996/2048, **art. 3** and s. 3 in force at 1.10.1996 to the extent it is not already in force by S.I. 1996/2402, **art. 3** (subject to the transitional provisions and savings in the Sch. to that S.I.)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

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

- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)

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

- s. 124(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(2\)](#)
- s. 124(6) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(6\)](#)
- s. 124A124B inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 21](#)
- s. 125A(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 130A inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 7](#)
- s. 133(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(3A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(7)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 25\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after 2016 c. 22, s. 120 and Sch. 8 para. 13(3) come into force)
- s. 143GA143GB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 143MA(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 27\(3\)](#)
- s. 143MB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 28](#)