



2016 CHAPTER 22

PART 2

Licensing of Houses in multiple occupation

Duration and renewal

Duration of HMO licence

- 19.—**(1) An HMO licence has effect from—
- (a) the date on which notice of the decision to grant it is served under paragraph 13 of Schedule 2, or
 - (b) such later date as may be specified in the licence.
- (2) An HMO licence has effect for—
- (a) 5 years, or
 - (b) such shorter period, of not less than 6 months, as may be specified in the licence.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to a licence which is treated as having been granted in accordance with paragraph 12(6) of Schedule 2.
- (4) Such a licence—
- (a) has effect from the date by which the council was required by that paragraph to determine the application, and
 - (b) has effect for 1 year.
- (5) Subsections (2) and (4)(b) are subject to the following provisions, which provide for the date on which a licence is to cease to have effect in certain circumstances—

- (a) section 21 (effect on existing licence where application is made to renew);
- (b) section 23 (revocation of licence);
- (c) section 27 (surrender of licence);
- (d) section 28 (change of ownership of property);
- (e) section 29 (death of licence holder).