



2016 CHAPTER 22

PART 2

Licensing of Houses in multiple occupation

*Other provision about licences*

**Death of sole licence holder: effect on licence**

**29.—**(1) Where a sole licensee dies, the HMO licence—

- (a) is to be treated as being held, from the date of death, by the licensee's personal representatives, but
- (b) ceases to have effect 3 months after that date.

(2) The council may, on the application of the personal representatives of the licensee, extend the period for which the licence has effect beyond the date mentioned in subsection (1)(b) if the council considers that it is reasonable to do so for the purpose of winding up the licensee's estate.

(3) An application under subsection (2) must be made within the period mentioned in subsection (1)(b).

(4) The council must serve on the personal representatives notice of its decision under subsection (2).

(5) Subsections (1)(b) and (2) are subject—

- (a) to sections 23 (revocation) and 27 (surrender), which provide for a licence in certain circumstances to cease to have effect earlier than as provided by this section, and

- (b) if the personal representatives of the licensee transfer ownership of the HMO, to section 28, which provides for a licence in certain circumstances to cease to have effect earlier than, or later than, as provided by this section.