
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989

PART V

**WINDING UP OF COMPANIES REGISTERED
UNDER [F1the Companies Act 2006]**

CHAPTER II

VOLUNTARY WINDING UP (INTRODUCTORY AND GENERAL)

Resolutions for, and commencement of, voluntary winding up

Circumstances in which company may be wound up voluntarily

70.—(1 ^{F1} A company may be wound up voluntarily—

- (a) when the period (if any) fixed for the duration of the company by its articles expires, or the event (if any) occurs, on the occurrence of which its articles provide that the company is to be dissolved, and the company in general meeting has passed a resolution requiring it to be wound up voluntarily;
- (b) if the company resolves by special resolution that it be wound up voluntarily;
- (c) ^{F2}

[^{F3}(1A) Before a company passes a resolution for voluntary winding up it must give written notice of the resolution to the holder of any qualifying floating charge to which Article 59A applies.

(1B) Where notice is given under paragraph (1A) a resolution for voluntary winding up may be passed only—

- (a) after the end of the period of 5 business days beginning with the day on which the notice was given, or
- (b) if the person to whom the notice was given has consented in writing to the passing of the resolution.]

[^{F4}[^{F5}(2)] Chapter 3 of Part 3 of the Companies Act 2006 (resolutions affecting a company's constitution) applies to a resolution under sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) as well as a special resolution under sub-paragraph (b).]

F1 mod. by SR 2004/307

F2 [Art. 70\(1\)\(c\)](#) repealed (1.10.2007 with application as mentioned in Sch. 4 para. 58(4) of the amending S.I.) by [Companies Act 2006 \(Commencement No. 3, Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2194\)](#), arts. 1(3)(a), 10(1)(3), Sch. 4 para. 58(2), [Sch. 5](#) (with art. 12)

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- F3** Art. 70(1A)(1B) inserted (27.3.2006) by Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1455 (N.I. 10)), arts. 1(3), 3(3), Sch. 2 para. 24 (with art. 4); S.R. 2006/21, **art. 2** (with S.R. 2006/22, **arts. 2-7**)
- F4** Art. 70(3) substituted (1.10.2007 with application as mentioned in Sch. 4 para. 58(4) of the amending S.I.) for art. 70(2) by Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 3, Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/2194), arts. 1(3)(a), 10(1), **Sch. 4 para. 58(3)** (with art. 12)
- F5** Art. 70(3) renumbered (1.10.2009) as sub-para. (2) by Companies Act 2006 (Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/1941), arts. 2(1), 8, **Sch. 1 para. 111(10)** (with art. 10)

Notice of resolution to wind up voluntarily

71.—(1 ^{F6} When a company has passed a resolution for voluntary winding up, it shall, within 14 days from the passing of the resolution, give notice of the resolution by advertisement in the Belfast Gazette.

(2) If default is made in complying with this Article, the company and every officer of it who is in default shall be guilty of an offence and, for continued contravention, shall be guilty of a continuing offence.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2) the liquidator is deemed an officer of the company.

F6 mod. by SR 2004/307

Commencement of voluntary winding up

72 ^{F7}. A voluntary winding up is deemed to commence at the time of the passing of the resolution for voluntary winding up.

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