STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2023 No. 18

LANDLORD AND TENANT

The Tenancy Deposit Schemes (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023

Made--16th February 2023Coming into operation1st April 2023

The Department for Communities(1) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 5B(5) and (6) and Article 72(1) of the Private Tenancies (Northern Ireland) Order 2006(2).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Tenancy Deposit Schemes (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023 and come into operation on 1st April 2023.

Amendment of the Tenancy Deposit Schemes Regulations (Northern Ireland)

2. The Tenancy Deposit Schemes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012(**3**) are amended in accordance with regulation 3.

3.—(1) In regulation 12 (requirement on landlord to supply information) –

- (a) In paragraph (a), for "14 days" substitute "28 days"; and
- (b) In paragraph (b)
 - (i) For "28 days" substitute "35 days";
 - (ii) At the end insert "and any relevant person".

(2) In regulation 37(2) (duty to produce an information leaflet), for "28 days" substitute "35 days".

(3) In Schedule 1 (the prescribed information to be provided when the tenancy deposit is protected in a tenancy deposit scheme) –

(a) In paragraph 1, omit "within 14 days from the receipt of the deposit from the tenant";

⁽¹⁾ The Department for Social Development was renamed the Department for Communities in accordance with section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (2016 c.5 (N.I.))

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2006 / 1459 (N.I. 10) as amended by 2011 c.22 (N.I.)

⁽**3**) S.R. 2012 No. 373

(b) In paragraph 3, omit "within 28 days from the receipt of the deposit".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Communities on 16th February 2023

(L.S.)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations)

These Regulations amend regulation 12 paragraphs (a) and (b), regulation 37(2) and Schedule 1, paragraphs (1) and (3) of the Tenancy Deposit Schemes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 by increasing the time limits for requirements relating to tenancy deposits.