

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

**2023 No. 20 (C. 3)**

**PRIVATE TENANCIES**

The Private Tenancies (2022 Act) (Commencement  
No.1) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023

Made - - - - 16th February 2023  
Coming into operation 1st April 2023

The Department for Communities makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 14 (7) of the Private Tenancies Act (Northern Ireland) 2022.(1).

**Citation** **N.I.**

1. This Order may be cited as the Private Tenancies (2022 Act) (Commencement No.1) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023.

**Commencement Information**

**I1** Art. 1 in operation at made date

**Appointed Day** **N.I.**

2. The day appointed for the coming into operation of the provisions of the Private Tenancies Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 specified in the Schedule is 1st April 2023.

**Commencement Information**

**I2** Art. 2 in operation at made date

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**Changes to legislation:** *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Private Tenancies (2022 Act) (Commencement No.1) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023. (See end of Document for details)*

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

(L.S.)

*David Polley*  
A senior officer of the Department for  
Communities

SCHEDULE **N.I.**

Article 2

**Commencement Information**

**I3** Sch. in operation at made date

Provisions of the Private Tenancies Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 coming into operation on 1st April 2023.

<i>Provisions of the Act</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
Section 1 insofar as it is not already in operation	Tenant to be given notice regarding certain matters
Section 2 insofar as it is not already in operation	Tenant to be given notice regarding certain past matters
Section 3	Tenant to be provided with a rent receipt for payment in cash
Section 4	Limit on tenancy deposit amount
Section 5	Increase in time limits for requirements relating to tenancy deposits
Section 6	Certain offences in connection with tenancy deposits to be continuing offences
Schedule 1	Tenant to be given notice regarding certain past matters

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into operation certain provisions of the Private Tenancies Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 which make amendments to the Private Tenancies (Northern Ireland) Order 2006. These provisions relate to tenants being given notice of certain matters relating to a tenancy including past matters and being given receipts for any cash payment made in relation to a tenancy. The Order also brings into operation provisions relating to tenancy deposits. It provides that the amount of a tenancy deposit shall be no more than one month's rent. In addition, it increases the time limits for requirements relating to tenancy deposits and provides that certain offences in connection with tenancy deposits shall be continuing offences.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Private Tenancies (2022 Act) (Commencement No.1) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023.