



Housing Act 1985

1985 CHAPTER 68

PART I

INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

Other authorities and bodies

[^{F1} 6A The Corporation

- (1) In this Act “the [^{F2}Relevant Authority]” means the [^{F3}Regulator of Social Housing], [^{F4}the Secretary of State] or Scottish Homes, subject as follows.
- (2) In relation to a housing association which is—
 - (a) a registered charity which has its address for the purposes of registration by the [^{F5}Charity Commission] in Wales,
 - (b) a [^{F6}registered society within the meaning of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014] which has its registered office for the purposes of that Act in Wales, or
 - (c) a company [^{F7}registered under the Companies Act 2006] which has its registered office for the purposes of that Act in Wales,“the [^{F2}Relevant Authority]” means [^{F4}the Secretary of State].
- (3) In relation to a housing association which is a [^{F6} registered society within the meaning of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014] which has its registered office for the purposes of that Act in Scotland, “the [^{F2}Relevant Authority]” means Scottish Homes.
- (4) In relation to any other housing association which is a registered charity, a [^{F6}registered society within the meaning of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014] or a company [^{F7}registered under the Companies Act 2006], “the [^{F2}Relevant Authority]” means the [^{F8}Regulator of Social Housing].

[This section is subject to any provision made elsewhere in this Act.]
^{F9}(4A)

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(5) In this section “registered charity” means a charity which is registered [^{F10}in accordance with section 30 of the Charities Act 2011]^{F11}. . . .]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 6A substituted (1.10.1996) by S.I. 1996/2325, art. 5(1), **Sch. 2 para. 14(3)**
- F2** Words in s. 6A substituted (1.11.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 140, **Sch. 16 para. 5** (with ss. 139(2), 141(1), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2244, **art. 5**
- F3** Words in s. 6A(1) substituted (1.4.2010) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/866), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 17** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F4** Words in s. 6A(1)(2) substituted (1.11.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 140, **Sch. 16 para. 7** (with ss. 139(2), 141(1), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2244, **art. 5**
- F5** Words in s. 6A(2) substituted (27.2.2007) by Charities Act 2006 (c. 50), ss. 75(1), 79(2), **Sch. 8 para. 77(2)**; S.I. 2007/309, **art. 2**, Sch. (subject to arts. 4-13)
- F6** Words in s. 6A(2)(b) substituted (1.8.2014) by Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 (c. 14), s. 154, **Sch. 4 para. 34** (with Sch. 5)
- F7** Words in s. 6A(2)(c)(4) substituted (1.10.2009) by The Companies Act 2006 (Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order (S.I. 2009/1941), art. 2(1), {Sch. 1 para. 62(2)} (with art. 10)
- F8** Words in s. 6A(4) substituted (1.4.2010) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/866), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 17** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F9** S. 6A(4A) inserted (1.12.2008) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/3002), art. 4, **Sch. 1 para. 4** (with Sch. 2); S.I. 2008/3068, arts. 1(2), **2(1)(b)** (with arts. 6-13)
- F10** Words in s. 6A(5) substituted (14.3.2012) by Charities Act 2011 (c. 25), s. 355, **Sch. 7 para. 43** (with s. 20(2), Sch. 8)
- F11** Words in s. 6A(5) repealed (31.1.2009) by Charities Act 2006 (c. 50), ss. 75(1)(2), 79(2), Sch. 8 para. 77(3)(b), **Sch. 9**; S.I. 2008/3267, **art. 2**, Sch. (with arts. 3-17) (as amended (29.9.2009) by S.I. 2009/2648, **art. 3**)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 6A modified (1.12.2008) by The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions (Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/2839), art. 3, **Sch. para. 2(1)** (with art. 6); S.I. 2008/3068, arts. 1(2), **2(1)(b)** (with arts. 6-13)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by [S.I. 2022/1166](#) by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 81A-81D and cross-heading inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 4](#) (This provision is amended by [2021 c. 7, ss. 79\(3\), 90\(6\)](#); [S.I. 2021/1038, reg. 3\(c\)](#))
- s. 81B(1)(b) words inserted by [2018 c. 11 s. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 81B(2A)-(2C) inserted by [2018 c. 11 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 81B(2C) words substituted by [2021 c. 17 s. 79\(3\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The insertion of s. 81B by [2016 c. 22, Sch. 7 para. 4](#) is still prospective)
- s. 81B(2C) words substituted by [2021 c. 17 s. 79\(3\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The insertion of s. 81B by [2016 c. 22, Sch. 7 para. 4](#) is still prospective)
- s. 81B(2D) inserted by [2021 c. 17 s. 79\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The insertion of s. 81B by [2016 c. 22, Sch. 7 para. 4](#) is still prospective)
- s. 82(A1)(A2) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 119\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 82A(4A)(4B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 7\(2\)](#)
- s. 86(1A)(1B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 10\(3\)](#)
- s. 86(1C) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 2](#)
- s. 86A-86F and cross-headings inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 11](#)
- s. 86G s. 86A renumbered as s. 86G by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 3\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 86G(8) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- s. 88(1)(ba) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 4](#)
- s. 89(2A)-(2D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 5\(3\)](#)
- s. 97(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 12\(3\)](#)
- s. 99A(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 13\(3\)](#)
- s. 115(3)-(7) inserted by [2024 c. 22 Sch. 9 para. 4\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 115B115C inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 15](#)
- s. 115B115C inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 15](#)
- s. 305(1A) inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 68\(b\)](#)
- s. 306(1A) inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 69\(b\)](#)
- s. 353A inserted by [1996 c. 52 s. 73\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 73 repealed (6.4.2006 for E., 16.6.2006 for W.) by [2004 c. 34, Sch. 16](#); [S.I. 2006/1060, art. 2\(1\)\(e\), Sch.](#); [S.I. 2006/1535, art. 2\(c\), Sch.](#))
- s. 582(6)(aa)-(ac) substituted for s. 582(6)(a) by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 4\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 1ZA and cross-heading inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 17\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 5A para. 3(3)(aa) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 4\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 5A para. 3(6A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 4\(3\)\(d\)](#)