



Housing Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 52

PART V

CONDUCT OF TENANTS

[^{F1}CHAPTER 1A]

[^{F1}Supplementary

[^{F1}Members of a person's family

Textual Amendments

- F1** Pt. 5 Ch. 1A inserted (30.6.2004 for E., 30.9.2004 for W. for specified purposes, 30.4.2005 for W. so far as not already in force) by [Anti Social Behaviour Act 2003 \(c. 38\)](#), s. 93, [Sch. 1 para. 1](#); S.I. 2004/1502, [art. 2\(a\)\(iii\)](#); S.I. 2004/2557, [art. 2\(a\)\(ii\)](#); S.I. 2005/1225, [art. 2\(b\)](#)

143P Members of a person's family

- (1) For the purposes of this Chapter a person is a member of another's family if—
 - (a) he is the spouse [^{F2} or civil partner] of that person;
 - (b) he and that person live together as a couple in an enduring family relationship, but he does not fall within paragraph (c);
 - (c) he is that person's parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b) it is immaterial that two persons living together in an enduring family relationship are of the same sex.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c)—

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- (a) a relationship by marriage [^{F3} or civil partnership] must be treated as a relationship by blood;
- (b) a relationship of the half-blood must be treated as a relationship of the whole blood;
- (c) a stepchild of a person must be treated as his child.]

Textual Amendments

- F2** Words in s. 143P(1)(a) inserted (5.12.2005) by [Civil Partnership Act 2004 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 263(2), [Sch. 8 para. 59\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2005/3175](#), art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- F3** Words in s. 143P(3)(a) inserted (5.12.2005) by [Civil Partnership Act 2004 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 263(2), [Sch. 8 para. 59\(3\)](#); [S.I. 2005/3175](#), art. 2(1), Sch. 1

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- 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](#)

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- s. 124(6) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(6\)](#)
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- s. 133(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(3A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(7)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 25\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after 2016 c. 22, s. 120 and Sch. 8 para. 13(3) come into force)
- s. 143GA143GB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 143MA(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 27\(3\)](#)
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- Sch. 2 para. 10A(1A) inserted by [2024 c. 22 Sch. 13 para. 6\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A(6) inserted by [2024 c. 22 Sch. 13 para. 6\(6\)](#)