



Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016

2016 anaw 1

PART 9

TERMINATION ETC. OF OCCUPATION CONTRACTS

CHAPTER 2

TERMINATION ETC. WITHOUT A POSSESSION CLAIM

(THIS CHAPTER APPLIES TO ALL OCCUPATION CONTRACTS)

155 Death of sole contract-holder

- (1) If the sole contract-holder under an occupation contract dies, the contract ends—
 - (a) one month after the death of the contract-holder, or
 - (b) if earlier, when the landlord is given notice of the death by the authorised persons.
- (2) The authorised persons are—
 - (a) the contract-holder's personal representatives, or
 - (b) the permitted occupiers of the dwelling aged 18 and over (if any) acting together.
- (3) The contract does not end if under section 74 one or more persons are qualified to succeed the contract-holder.
- (4) The contract does not end if, at the contract-holder's death, a family property order has effect which requires the contract-holder to transfer the contract to another person.
- (5) If, after the contract-holder's death, the family property order ceases to have effect and there is no person qualified to succeed the contract-holder, the contract ends—
 - (a) when the order ceases to have effect, or
 - (b) if later, at the time the contract would end under subsection (1).

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- (6) This section is a fundamental provision which is incorporated as a term of all occupation contracts, except fixed term standard contracts that contain the provision mentioned in section 139(1) (transfer on death of sole contract holder); section 20 provides that this section—
- (a) must be incorporated, and
 - (b) must not be incorporated with modifications.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 9 excluded (1.12.2022) by 2004 c. 34, s. 33(c) (as inserted by [The Renting Homes \(Wales\) Act 2016 \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/1166\)](#), regs. 1(1), **28(2)(c)**)
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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 155 in force at 1.12.2022 by [S.I. 2022/906](#), **art. 2**

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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:

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

- s. 20(3)(ma) inserted by [2019 anaw 2 Sch. 3 para. 4\(2\)](#)
- s. 135(2)(ia) inserted by [2019 anaw 2 Sch. 3 para. 4\(3\)](#)
- s. 186A-186C inserted by [2019 anaw 2 Sch. 3 para. 4\(1\)](#)
- s. 198A inserted by [2019 anaw 2 Sch. 3 para. 5](#)