



# Land Registration etc. (Scotland) Act 2012

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### PART 9

#### RIGHTS OF PERSONS ACQUIRING ETC. IN GOOD FAITH

##### *Ownership*

#### **86 Acquisition from disponent without valid title**

- (1) This section applies where a person (“A”), who is not the proprietor of a registered plot of land but—
  - (a) is entered in the proprietorship section of the title sheet as proprietor, and
  - (b) is in possession of the land,purports to dispose the land.
- (2) The disponee (“B”) acquires ownership of the land provided that the conditions in subsection (3) are met.
- (3) The conditions are that—
  - (a) the land has been in the possession, openly, peaceably and without judicial interruption—
    - (i) of A for a continuous period of at least 1 year, or
    - (ii) of A and then of B for periods which together constitute such a period,
  - (b) at no time during that period did the Keeper become aware that the register was inaccurate as a result of A (or B) not being the proprietor,
  - (c) B is in good faith,
  - (d) the disposition would have conferred ownership on B had A been proprietor when the land was disposed,
  - (e) at no time during the period mentioned in paragraph (a)—
    - (i) was the title sheet subject, by virtue of section 67, to a caveat relevant to the acquisition by B,
    - (ii) did the title sheet contain a statement under section 30(5), and
  - (f) the Keeper warrants (or is to be taken to warrant) A’s title.
- (4) The date on which ownership is acquired by virtue of subsection (2) is—

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- (a) where subsection (5) applies, the date on which the disposition is registered,
  - (b) where subsection (6) applies, the date on which the period of possession mentioned in that subsection expires.
- (5) This subsection applies where, as at the date of registration, the land has been in the possession, openly, peaceably and without judicial interruption—
- (a) of A for a continuous period of at least 1 year, or
  - (b) of A and then of B for periods which together constitute such a period.
- (6) This subsection applies where there is a continuous period of possession such as is mentioned in subsection (5) but that period, though it commences before registration on the application of B, does not expire until a date later than the date of registration.

**87 Acquisition from representative of disponent without valid title**

- (1) Section 86 also applies where a person (“P”), who is not entered in the proprietorship section of the title sheet as proprietor but who would have power to dispose the land—
- (a) were A the proprietor, or
  - (b) (where A has died) had A been the proprietor,
- purports to dispose it.
- (2) For the purposes of section 86, possession of the plot of land by P is to be treated as if it were possession of the land by A.