



Housing (Scotland) Act 2014

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PART 4

LETTING AGENTS

Offences where no registration

44 Offence of operating as a letting agent without registration

- (1) It is an offence for a person who is not a registered letting agent to carry out letting agency work, unless subsection (2) applies to that person.
- (2) This subsection applies to a person from the day on which the person is removed from the register under section 39 until—
 - (a) where the period mentioned in section 41(2) expires without an appeal being made, the expiry of that period,
 - (b) where such an appeal is made, the day on which it is finally determined or abandoned.
- (3) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under subsection (1) to show that the person had a reasonable excuse for acting in the way charged.
- (4) A person who commits an offence under subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months, to a fine not exceeding £50,000, or to both.