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The Private Tenancies (Northern Ireland) Order 2006

PART IV

CERTIFICATES OF FITNESS AND RENT CONTROL CHAPTER III

TENANCIES SUBJECT TO RENT CONTROL

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46.—(1) The rent officer shall prepare and keep up to date a register ("the register of rents"), in which there shall be entered, in accordance with Article 43(3) or 44(6), the rents which are appropriate rents of dwelling-houses let under controlled tenancies.

(2) The rent officer shall make the register of rents available for public inspection without charge at such place and at such times as the rent officer considers appropriate.

(3) The register of rents shall contain, in addition to an appropriate rent, the prescribed particulars with regard to the tenancy and the dwelling-house.

(4) The rent officer may, if at any time it appears appropriate to him to do so, amend any entry in the register of rents.

(5) Subject to paragraph (6), where the rent officer amends any entry in the register of rents, the rent officer shall serve a notice of the alteration on the landlord and tenant under the tenancy in question.

(6) Paragraph (5) does not apply to any alteration made in the register of rents in pursuance of Article 55(7).

(7) A copy of an entry in the register of rents purporting to be certified under the hand of the rent officer shall be receivable in evidence in any court and in any proceedings.

(8) A person requiring such a certified copy shall be entitled to obtain it.

Removal of tenancies from the register of rents

47.-(1) Subject to the following provisions of this Article, where-

(a) in relation to a tenancy of a dwelling-house, a rent is registered in the register of rents, and

(b) the rent officer is satisfied that the dwelling-house is no longer let under that tenancy,

the rent officer shall remove any entry relating to that tenancy of the dwelling-house from the register of rents.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) the rent officer may make such enquiries as he considers appropriate.

(3) The rent officer shall give to any person appearing to him to have an interest in the dwellinghouse, 14 days' notice of his intention to remove the entry from the register of rents.

- (4) Where-
 - (a) the rent officer removes an entry relating to a tenancy of a dwelling-house from the register of rents, and
 - (b) no certificate of fitness is in effect in respect of the dwelling-house,

the rent officer may maintain for the purposes of this Order a record of the information contained in the entry in such form as appears appropriate to him.