



# Registered Homes (Amendment) Act 1991

## 1991 CHAPTER 20

### **1 Registration in respect of small residential care homes.**

- (1) Part I of the <sup>M1</sup>Registered Homes Act 1984 (residential care homes) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (requirement of registration), for subsection (4) (exemption for small homes) substitute—
  - “(4) Registration under this Part of this Act is not required in respect of a small home—
    - (a) if the only persons for whom it provides or is intended to provide residential accommodation with both board and personal care are persons carrying on or intending to carry on the home or employed or intended to be employed there or their relatives, or
    - (b) in such other cases as may be prescribed by the Secretary of State.
  - (4A) In this Part a “small home” means an establishment which provides or is intended to provide residential accommodation with both board and personal care for fewer than 4 persons, excluding persons carrying on or intending to carry on the home or employed or intended to be employed there and their relatives.
  - (4B) The references in subsections (4) and (4A) to the persons for whom residential accommodation is or is intended to be provided relate only to persons who are in need of personal care by reason of old age, disablement, past or present dependence on alcohol or drugs, or past or present mental disorder.”
- (3) For section 4 (optional registration of small homes also registered under Part II) substitute—

#### **“4 Registration in respect of small home registered under Part II.**

- (1) A person who—
  - (a) is required to be registered under this Part in respect of a small home, and

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(b) is registered under Part II of this Act in respect of the same premises, may apply to be registered under this Part as if the home were not a small home.

(2) If he does so the provisions of this Part have effect as in relation to a home which is not a small home.”

(4) In section 5 (general provisions as to registration), after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) In the case of an application for registration in respect of a small home, the registration authority may waive the whole or part of the registration fee; and in such a case the references in subsections (1) and (2) above to the registration fee shall be construed as references to such registration fee (if any) as may be payable.”;

and in subsection (6) (duty to exhibit certificate of registration) for “any home” substitute “ a home other than a small home ”.

(5) In section 8 (annual fee for registration), make the present provision subsection (1) and after it insert—

“(2) In the case of registration in respect of a small home, the registration authority may waive the whole or part of the annual fee; and in such a case the reference in section 10(b) below to the annual fee shall be construed as a reference to such annual fee (if any) as may be payable.”.

(6) After section 8 insert—

**“8A Annual return in respect of small home.**

(1) The Secretary of State may by regulations require a person registered under this Part in respect of a small home to make an annual return to the registration authority.

(2) Provision may be made by the regulations as to the contents of the return and the period in respect of which and date by which it is to be made.”.

(7) In section 9 (grounds for refusal of registration), make the present provision subsection (1), in that provision after “residential care home” insert “ (other than a small home) ” and after it insert—

“(2) The registration authority may refuse to register an applicant for registration in respect of a small home only if they are satisfied that he or any other person concerned or intended to be concerned in carrying on the home is not a fit person to be concerned in carrying on a residential care home.”.

(8) In section 10 (grounds for cancellation of registration), after paragraph (b) insert—

“(bb) in the case of a small home, on the ground that the annual return has not been duly made in accordance with regulations under section 8A above; or”.

(9) In section 20 (interpretation), in subsection (1) at the appropriate place insert—

““small home” has the meaning given by section 1(4A) above;”.

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**Commencement Information**

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