



Housing Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 34

PART 1

HOUSING CONDITIONS

CHAPTER 2

IMPROVEMENT NOTICES, PROHIBITION ORDERS AND HAZARD AWARENESS NOTICES

Enforcement: improvement notices and prohibition orders

36 Power of court to authorise action by one owner on behalf of another

- (1) Where an improvement notice or prohibition order has become operative, an owner of any specified premises may apply to a magistrates' court for an order under subsection (2).
- (2) A magistrates' court may, on an application under subsection (1), make an order enabling the applicant—
 - (a) immediately to enter on the premises, and
 - (b) to take any required action within a period fixed by the order.
- (3) In this section “required action” means—
 - (a) in the case of an improvement notice, any remedial action which is required to be taken by the notice;
 - (b) in the case of a prohibition order, any action necessary for the purpose of complying with the order or any remedial action specified in the order in accordance with section 22(2)(e).
- (4) No order may be made under subsection (2) unless the court is satisfied that the interests of the applicant will be prejudiced as a result of a failure by another person to take any required action.

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- (5) No order may be made under subsection (2) unless notice of the application has been given to the local housing authority.
- (6) If it considers that it is appropriate to do so, the court may make an order in favour of any other owner of the premises which is similar to the order that it is making in relation to the premises under subsection (2).

Commencement Information

- II** [S. 36](#) wholly in force at 16.6.2006; [s. 36](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 270\(4\)\(5\)](#); [s. 36](#) in force for E. at 6.4.2006 by [S. I. 2006/1060](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#) (with [Sch.](#)); [s. 36](#) in force for W. at 16.6.2006 by [S. I. 2006/1535](#), [art. 2\(a\)](#) (with [Sch.](#))

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- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)

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- s. 66(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 66(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 89(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 89(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 139(7A)(7B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 127\(3\)](#)