



Immigration Act 2014

2014 CHAPTER 22

PART 3

ACCESS TO SERVICES ETC

CHAPTER 1

RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES

Penalty notices

23 Penalty notices: landlords

- (1) If there is a contravention of section 22, the Secretary of State may give the responsible landlord a notice requiring the payment of a penalty.
- (2) The amount of the penalty is such an amount as the Secretary of State considers appropriate, but the amount must not exceed [^{F1}£20,000].
- (3) “Responsible landlord” means—
 - (a) in relation to a pre-grant contravention, the landlord who entered into the residential tenancy agreement;
 - (b) in relation to a post-grant contravention, the person who is the landlord under the agreement at the time of the contravention.
- (4) But if there is a superior landlord in relation to the residential tenancy agreement who is responsible for the purposes of this section, the “responsible landlord” means that superior landlord (and references to the landlord in the following provisions of this Chapter are to be read accordingly).
- (5) A superior landlord is “responsible for the purposes of this section” if arrangements in writing have been made in relation to the residential tenancy agreement between the landlord and the superior landlord under which the superior landlord accepts responsibility for—

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- (a) contraventions of section 22 generally, or
 - (b) contraventions of a particular description and the contravention in question is of that description.
- (6) The Secretary of State may by order amend the amount for the time being specified in subsection (2).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sum in s. 23(2) substituted (13.2.2024) by [The Immigration Act 2014 \(Residential Accommodation\) \(Maximum Penalty\) Order 2024 \(S.I. 2024/81\)](#), arts. 1(2), **2(2)** (with art. 2(4))

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 23 in force at 1.12.2014 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2014/2771](#), **art. 6(1)(d)**
- I2** S. 23 in force at 1.2.2016 for E. in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2016/11](#), **art. 2(d)**
- I3** [S. 23\(6\)](#) in force at 14.12.2023 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2023/1245](#), **art. 2(a)**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 23(6) coming into force by [S.I. 2023/1215 art. 2\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2023/1215 revoked before coming into force (28.11.2023) by S.I. 2023/1245, arts. 1(2), 3)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.I. 2014/2771 by [S.I. 2015/371 art. 78](#)
- specified provision(s) savings for earlier commencing SI 2014/2771 by [S.I. 2014/2928 art. 2](#) (Amendment already reflected in Appended Commentary in EXTOES for 2014 SI2771.)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 21(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/745 reg. 21\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 21(2)(3) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1309, regs. 1(2)(a), 48)
- s. 27(7) inserted by [S.I. 2019/745 reg. 21\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 21(2)(3) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1309, regs. 1(2)(a), 48)
- s. 70A(6A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/745 reg. 21\(7\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 21(7) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1309, regs. 1(2)(a), 48)
- Sch. 3 para. 8A inserted by [2016 c. 19 Sch. 12 para. 16](#)