STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 1055

LANDLORD AND TENANT

The Rent Book (Forms of Notice) (Amendment) Regulations 1973

Made -15th June 1973 Laid before Parliament 25th June 1973 Coming into Operation 16th July 1973

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of powers conferred by section 2(1) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1962(a) (as amended by section 117(2) of, and Schedule 15 to, the Rent Act 1968(b)) and now vested in him(c), and in exercise of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:-

- 1. These regulations may be cited as the Rent Book (Forms of Notice) (Amendment) Regulations 1973 and shall come into operation on 16th July 1973.
- 2. The Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 3. The Schedule to the Rent Book (Forms of Notice) Regulations 1972(e) shall be amended in the manner mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations.

SCHEDULE

- 1. In Part I (rent book for controlled tenancy), in paragraph 17, for the date "30th June 1973" there shall be substituted the date "30th September 1973".
- 2. In Part II (rent book for regulated tenancy), in paragraph 16, for the date "30th June 1973" there shall be substituted the date "30th September 1973".
- 3. In Part III (rent book for furnished lettings), in paragraph 11, the words "to the police or" shall be omitted.

⁽a) 1962 c. 50. (e) S.I. 1970/1681 (1970 III, p. 5551). (e) S.I. 1972/1827 (1972 III, p. 5276). **(b)** 1968 c. 23. (d) 1889 c. 63.

4. In Part III, at the end thereof, there shall be added the following paragraph—

"12. A tenant who has difficulty in affording his rent may apply to his local authority for a rent allowance. When the rent is payable weekly, the landlord is obliged to insert in this rent book a leaflet describing your local authority's rent allowance scheme; he is obliged to do this by 30th September 1973 and whenever a new rent book is issued. If the leaflet is not already in this book it can be obtained from your local council offices where you should also be able to obtain a leaflet on rate rebates if you require one."

Geoffrey Rippon,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

15th June 1973.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

The Rent Book (Forms of Notice) Regulations 1972 prescribe the forms of notice to be inserted in rent books or other similar documents in pursuance of section 1 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1962 (i.e. where the rent is payable weekly) in the cases of controlled tenancies, regulated tenancies and contracts to which Part VI of the Rent Act 1968 applies (furnished lettings).

Among the matters referred to in the forms of notice for controlled and regulated tenancies is the date upon which (under section 24(11) of the Housing Finance Act 1972 (c. 47) (as enacted)) the landlord is obliged to insert the statutory particulars of the rent allowance scheme operated by the local authority. The date has been altered by the Furnished Lettings (Rent Allowances) Act 1973 (c.6), which also provides for the payment of rent allowances in the case of contracts to which Part VI of the Rent Act applies.

These Regulations substitute the new date in the case of the forms of notice for controlled and regulated tenancies, and add a paragraph referring to rent allowances in the form of notice for contracts to which Part VI of the Rent Act applies. They also make a small alteration to the last-mentioned notice.

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