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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 3168**

**The Marriages and Civil Partnerships  
(Approved Premises) Regulations 2005**

**Expiry and renewal of approval**

7.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (5) and (6) and to regulation 8, an approval shall be valid for a period of three years.

(2) Without prejudice to the provisions of these Regulations as to the duration of approval or revocation of approval, or any condition as to notification of change of ownership, an approval shall remain in force notwithstanding that the holder ceases to have a proprietary interest in the premises and the person to whom his interest is transferred shall be deemed to be the holder in his place.

(3) An application for renewal of an approval may be made by the holder of that approval not more than twelve months before it is due to expire.

(4) Regulations 3(2) to (4) and 4 to 6 shall apply to an application to renew an approval as they may apply to an application for approval and as though any reference in them—

(a) to an applicant were to an applicant for renewal; and

(b) to a grant of approval were to a renewal of approval.

(5) If an application for renewal has been made in accordance with paragraphs (3) and (4) and that application has not been finally determined or withdrawn before the date on which the approval would otherwise expire, the approval shall continue in effect until such time as the application is finally determined or withdrawn.

(6) Where the holder fails to apply for the renewal of approval and the approval expires in consequence of his failure, an application for renewal made in accordance with paragraph (4) and within one month of the expiry shall reinstate the approval and an approval so reinstated shall continue in effect until such time as the application is finally determined or withdrawn.