
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Licensing and Management of Houses
in Multiple Occupation and Other Houses
(Miscellaneous Provisions) (England) Regulations 2006**

Publication requirements relating to designations under Part 2 or 3 of the Act

9.—(1) A local housing authority that is required under section 59(2) or 83(2) of the Act to publish a notice of a designation of an area for the purpose of Part 2 or 3 of the Act must do so in the manner prescribed by paragraph (2).

(2) Within 7 days after the date on which the designation was confirmed or made the local housing authority must —

- (a) place the notice on a public notice board at one or more municipal buildings within the designated area, or if there are no such buildings within the designated area, at the closest of such buildings situated outside the designated area;
- (b) publish the notice on the authority's internet site; and
- (c) arrange for its publication in at least two local newspapers circulating in or around the designated area—
 - (i) in the next edition of those newspapers; and
 - (ii) five times in the editions of those newspapers following the edition in which it is first published, with the interval between each publication being no less than two weeks and no more than three weeks.

(3) Within 2 weeks after the designation was confirmed or made the local housing authority must send a copy of the notice to—

- (a) any person who responded to the consultation conducted by it under section 56(3) or 80(9) of the Act;
- (b) any organisation which, to the reasonable knowledge of the authority—
 - (i) represents the interests of landlords or tenants within the designated area; or
 - (ii) represents managing agents, estate agents or letting agents within the designated area; and
- (c) every organisation within the local housing authority area that the local housing authority knows or believes provides advice on landlord and tenant matters, including—
 - (i) law centres;
 - (ii) citizens' advice bureaux;
 - (iii) housing advice centres; and
 - (iv) homeless persons' units.

(4) In addition to the information referred to in section 59(2)(a), (b) and(c) or 83(2)(a), (b) and(c), the notice must contain the following information—

- (a) a brief description of the designated area;

- (b) the name, address, telephone number and e-mail address of—
 - (i) the local housing authority that made the designation;
 - (ii) the premises where the designation may be inspected; and
 - (iii) the premises where applications for licences and general advice may be obtained;
- (c) a statement advising any landlord, person managing or tenant within the designated area to seek advice from the local housing authority on whether their property is affected by the designation; and
- (d) a warning of the consequences of failing to licence a property that is required to be licensed, including the criminal sanctions.