



# Housing on Farms Act (Northern Ireland) 1972

## 1972 CHAPTER 3

### PART IV

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

#### 16 Interpretation.

In this Act—

“approved worker”<sup>F1</sup> has the meaning assigned to it by section 4(1)(a);

“breach or contravention” includes an attempted breach or contravention; and  
“contravention”, in relation to any provision or condition, includes a failure to comply with that provision or, as the case may be, that condition;

“enactment” includes any provision in any Act (whether public general, local or private) of the Parliament of Northern Ireland or of the Parliament of the United Kingdom and any provision contained in any Order in Council, order, regulation, rule, scheme, byelaw or other instrument made under any such Act;

“family”, when used in relation to the person using a farmhouse or occupying an approved worker's house, includes all persons usually residing in such house with such person, whether or not related to him by blood or marriage [<sup>F2</sup>or civil partnership] ;

“farmhouse”, in relation to any farm, means the dwelling-house of a person who is engaged in carrying on and directing agricultural operations on that farm;

“the Ministry”<sup>F3</sup> has the meaning assigned to it by section 1(1);

“net annual value” means the net annual value [<sup>F4</sup>as estimated for the purposes of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 or, as the case requires, the amount certified by the Commissioner of Valuation under paragraph 7 of Part II of Schedule 16 to that Order];

“occupier” means the person who is rated as occupier or who, but for the last-mentioned enactment, would have been so rated;

“the Part I conditions” has the meaning assigned to it by section 3;

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“the Part II conditions” has the meaning assigned to it by section 6;

“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Ministry;

*Definition rep. by 1976 NI 25*

“superficial area”, in relation to any farmhouse or approved worker's house, means the area of that house calculated in accordance with such method as may be prescribed.

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| <b>F1</b> | i.e. a worker in the service of the applicant in full time employment in agricultural operations on the farm  |
| <b>F2</b> | Words in s. 16 inserted (13.1.2020) by <a href="#">The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1514)</a> , regs. 1(2), <b>130</b> (with <a href="#">regs. 6-9</a> ) |
| <b>F3</b> | i.e. M/Dev., now D/Env., SRO (NI) 1973/504; <a href="#">1976 NI 6</a>   |
| <b>F4</b> | <a href="#">1977 NI 28</a>  |

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