

Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016 2016 asp 19

PART 4

Rent

CHAPTER 3

RENT PRESSURE ZONES

Improvements to let property

43 Further provision about making and determining an application under section 42

- (1) An application under section 42(1) must be made—
 - (a) in such form as may be prescribed by the Scottish Ministers in regulations,
 - (b) to a rent officer for the area in which the let property in question is situated.
- (2) On receiving an application under section 42(1), a rent officer must send a copy of it to the tenant concerned.
- (3) Before making a final determination under section 42, a rent officer must send—
 - (a) to both the landlord and tenant concerned a draft of the determination which the rent officer proposes to make,
 - (b) to the tenant a copy of any timeous representations received from the landlord in relation to the draft determination.

(4) In making a determination under section 42, a rent officer must—

- (a) follow any guidance published by the Scottish Ministers which sets out for the purposes of that section—
 - (i) what does, and does not, constitute an improvement made to a let property, and

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- (ii) the amount by which the rent payable under a tenancy may be increased in consequence of a particular improvement, or the methodology by which the assessment of that amount is to be made, and
- (b) have regard to any timeous representations received from the landlord or tenant concerned.
- (5) For the purposes of subsections (3)(b) and (4)(b), representations are timeous if they are sent to the rent officer by—
 - (a) the landlord within 14 days of the landlord receiving the draft determination sent in accordance with subsection (3)(a),
 - (b) the tenant—
 - (i) within 14 days of the tenant receiving the copy of the application for a determination in accordance with subsection (2), or
 - (ii) if the rent officer sends to the tenant a copy of representations received from the landlord in accordance with subsection (3)(b), not more than 14 days after the tenant received the copy of the landlord's representations.
- (6) In a case where two or more persons jointly are the landlord under the tenancy, references to the landlord in section 42 and this section are to any one of those persons.