

#### 2011 CHAPTER 12

### PART 1

# AGREEMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL OCCUPIERS ON PROTECTED SITES

### Particulars of agreements

- **2.**—(1) In the case of a residential agreement to be made after commencement, the owner of the protected site ("the owner") must give to the proposed occupier under the agreement a written statement which—
  - (a) specifies the names and addresses of the parties;
  - (b) includes particulars of the land on which the occupier is to be entitled to station the caravan that are sufficient to identify that land;
  - (c) sets out the express terms to be contained in the agreement;
  - (d) sets out the terms implied by section 3(1); and
  - (e) complies with such other requirements as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Department for Social Development.
- (2) The written statement required by subsection (1) must be given not later than the minimum period before—
  - (a) the date on which any agreement for the sale of the caravan to the proposed occupier is made, or
  - (b) (if earlier) the date on which the residential agreement is made.
- (3) The minimum period is 28 days or such shorter period as may be agreed in writing by the proposed occupier.

- (4) In the case of a residential agreement made before commencement, the owner of the protected site must, not later than 28 days after commencement, give to the occupier a written statement which—
  - (a) specifies the names and addresses of the parties;
  - (b) includes particulars of the land on which the occupier is entitled to station the caravan that are sufficient to identify that land;
  - (c) sets out the express terms contained in the agreement;
  - (d) sets out the terms implied by section 3(1); and
  - (e) complies with such other requirements as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Department for Social Development.
- (5) Subject to any order made by the court under section 3(3), if any express term—
  - (a) is contained in a residential agreement, but
  - (b) was not set out in a written statement given by the owner in accordance with this section,

the term is unenforceable by the owner or any person within section 5(1).

- (6) If the owner has failed to give the occupier a written statement in accordance with this section, the occupier may, at any time after the making of the agreement, apply to the court for an order requiring the owner—
  - (a) to give the occupier a written statement which complies with paragraphs (a) to (e) of subsection (4), and
  - (b) to do so not later than such date as is specified in the order.
- (7) A statement required to be given to a person under this section may be delivered to that person personally or sent to that person by post.
- (8) Any reference in this section to the making of a residential agreement includes a reference to any variation of an agreement by virtue of which the agreement becomes a residential agreement.
  - (9) Regulations under this section are subject to negative resolution.

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Caravans Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, Section 2.