



2016 CHAPTER 22

PART 4

Standards of housing

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Further provision about notices under this Part

Offences

- 60.**—(1) A person commits an offence if the person—
- (a) contravenes a requirement in an overcrowding notice, and
 - (b) does not have a reasonable excuse for doing so.
- (2) A person commits an offence if the person—
- (a) contravenes a general occupancy requirement or a new residents' occupancy requirement in a suitability notice, and
 - (b) does not have a reasonable excuse for doing so.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) or (2) is liable on summary conviction—
- (a) to a fine not exceeding £20,000, and
 - (b) to a further fine not exceeding £50 for every day or part of a day after conviction on which the person contravenes the requirement in question.
- (4) A person commits an offence if the person—
- (a) knows that a hazard notice has become operative in relation to any specified premises,

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- (b) uses the premises, or permits the premises to be used, in contravention of the notice, and
 - (c) does not have a reasonable excuse for so using the premises or (as the case may be) permitting them to be so used.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (4) is liable on summary conviction—
- (a) to a fine not exceeding £20,000, and
 - (b) to a further fine not exceeding £50 for every day or part of a day after conviction on which the person so uses the premises or permits them to be so used.
- (6) If the owner of an HMO fails to carry out work specified in a works requirement in a hazard notice by the date specified in relation to that work, the owner commits an offence.
- (7) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (6) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Commencement Information

I1 S. 60 in operation at 1.4.2019 by S.R. 2019/39, art. 2 (with art. 3)

Further provision

61 Schedule 5 makes further provision about notices under this Part.

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