



Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990

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Grant, revocation and suspension of licences

18 Revocation and variation of licence

- (1) A licence committee may revoke a licence if it is satisfied—
 - (a) that any information given for the purposes of the application for the grant of the licence was in any material respect false or misleading,
 - (b) that the premises to which the licence relates are no longer suitable for the activities authorised by the licence,
 - (c) that the person responsible has failed to discharge, or is unable because of incapacity to discharge, the duty under section 17 of this Act or has failed to comply with directions given in connection with any licence, or
 - (d) that there has been any other material change of circumstances since the licence was granted.
- (2) A licence committee may also revoke a licence if—
 - (a) it ceases to be satisfied that the character of the person responsible is such as is required for the supervision of those activities or that the nominal licensee is a suitable person to hold a licence, or
 - (b) the person responsible dies or is convicted of an offence under this Act.
- (3) Where a licence committee has power to revoke a licence under subsection (1) above it may instead vary any terms of the licence.
- (4) A licence committee may, on an application by the person responsible or the nominal licensee, vary or revoke a licence.
- (5) A licence committee may, on an application by the nominal licensee, vary the licence so as to designate another individual in place of the person responsible if—
 - (a) the committee is satisfied that the character, qualifications and experience of the other individual are such as are required for the supervision of the activities

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authorised by the licence and that the individual will discharge the duty under section 17 of this Act, and

(b) the application is made with the consent of the other individual.

(6) Except on an application under subsection (5) above, a licence can only be varied under this section—

(a) so far as it relates to the activities authorised by the licence, the manner in which they are conducted or the conditions of the licence, or

(b) so as to extend or restrict the premises to which the licence relates.